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1 [SPECIAL MEETING REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
2 ON APRIL 17, 2007 BEGINS ON PAGE 259.]

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6 [GAVEL]

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. ASK THAT THE BOARD
9 OF SUPERVISORS AND THE AUDIENCE COME TO ORDER. WE'RE GOING TO
10 START OUR MEETING. AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE TO
11 STAND AND WE'RE GOING TO BE LED IN THE INVOCATION AND IN THE
12 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. BUT, BEFORE WE DO THAT, IF I COULD JUST
13 ASK FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE TRAGIC
14 SHOOTING AT VIRGINIA TECH UNIVERSITY. [SILENCE]

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO BE LED
17 IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY REVEREND BETSY ANDERSON, WHO
18 IS AN ASSOCIATE FOR PASTORAL MINISTRIES AT ST. MATTHEW'S
19 EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN PACIFIC PALISADES AND WE WILL BE LED IN
20 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY NAZELIE ELMASSIAN, FORMER
21 PHARMACIST-- PHARMACIST MATE FIRST CLASS IN THE UNITED STATES
22 NAVY. PASTOR ANDERSON?

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24 **REVEREND BETSY ANDERSON:** LET US PRAY. GRACIOUS AND HOLY GOD,
25 WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR THE GIFT OF THIS NEW DAY AND ALL OF THE



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1 POSSIBILITIES IT OFFERS TO MAKE OUR WORLD SAFER, MORE HUMANE
2 AND JUST. BLESS THESE LEADERS AS THEY GATHER TO DO THEIR
3 BUSINESS. GUIDE THEM IN WISDOM, COURAGE AND VISION THAT THEY
4 MAY FULFILL THE TRUST GIVEN THEM BY THE CITIZENS OF THIS
5 COUNTY. FILL THEM WITH YOUR INTEGRITY, THAT THE WORK THEY DO
6 WILL ALWAYS PROMOTE JUSTICE AND WELLBEING FOR ALL WHO LIVE AND
7 WORK IN THEIR JURISDICTION AND A SENSE OF COMMON MISSION
8 AMONGST THEMSELVES. GIVE THEM ALSO THE STRENGTH OF HOPE AND
9 PURPOSE, A DEEP LOVE OF THE VITALITY OF OUR CITY AND COUNTY
10 AND A SENSE OF PRIDE AND ALL THAT IT OFFERS ITS PEOPLE, OUR
11 COUNTRY AND THE WORLD. THAT, AT THE END OF THIS DAY, THEY MAY
12 HAVE A SENSE THAT, IN THE WAY THEY HAVE SERVED THEIR
13 CONSTITUENTS, THEY HAVE ALSO SERVED YOU. AMEN.

14

15 **NAZELIE ELMASSIAN:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND
16 OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN WITH ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
17 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF I CAN ASK PASTOR ANDERSON--
20 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE WERE LED THIS MORNING IN THE
21 INVOCATION BY REVEREND BETSY ANDERSON WHO, AS I SAID EARLIER,
22 IS THE ASSOCIATE FOR PASTORAL MINISTRIES AT ST. MATTHEW'S
23 EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN PACIFIC PALISADES AND HAS BEEN ON THE
24 STAFF OF THE CHURCH FOR NINE YEARS. IN ADDITION TO
25 COORDINATING THE PASTORAL MINISTRIES, SHE HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE



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1 FOR DEVELOPING AND OVERSEEING THE EMMAUS SMALL GROUP MINISTRY,
2 A NETWORK OF SMALL GROUPS DEVOTED TO CHRISTIAN SPIRITUAL
3 FORMATION THROUGH PRAYER, BIBLE STUDY, OUTREACH AND CARING
4 FELLOWSHIP. PASTOR ANDERSON GRADUATED FROM MARLBORO SCHOOL,
5 STANFORD UNIVERSITY AND YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL AND IS MARRIED
6 WITH TWO CHILDREN. THAT'S QUITE AN EDUCATIONAL PEDIGREE, I
7 HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU, REVEREND ANDERSON, FOR YOUR INVOCATION
8 THIS MORNING AND FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE
9]

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE NAZELIE
14 ELMASSIAN AS OUR PLEDGE VETERAN AND SHE WAS IN THE SERVICE
15 FROM 1944 TO '46, PHARMACIST MATE FIRST CLASS WITH THE U.S.
16 NAVY. SHE WAS IN THE PHARMACY UNIT IN THE CORONA NAVAL
17 HOSPITAL UNIT. SHE RECEIVED THE NAVY GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL,
18 AMERICAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL, WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL, NATIONAL
19 DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. SHE ATTENDED LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL
20 AND CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. WE'RE SO PLEASED TO HAVE HER HERE,
21 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND POMONA COLLEGE. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IF I COULD JUST ADD, NAZELIE
24 IS THE SISTER OF THE LATE ERA ELMASSIAN, WHO WAS MY CLERK IN
25 THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF CITY COUNCIL FOR MANY YEARS AND ONE



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1 OF THE NICEST PEOPLE AND MOST COMPETENT PEOPLE I'VE EVER
2 WORKED WITH. THANKS. ALL RIGHT. I THINK WE'LL CALL THE AGENDA.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE
6 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
7 THROUGH 3-D. ON ITEM 1-D, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT
8 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
9 COMMISSION.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
12 THE ORDER.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ITEMS 2-D AND 3-D ARE BEFORE YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS.
17 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
20 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.
23 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
2 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS 1-P AND 2-P.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS.
5 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 17.
8 ON ITEM 1, THIS ALSO INCLUDES SUPERVISOR BURKE'S ADDITION, AS
9 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR
10 YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 7,
11 THERE'S A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
12 HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 9, SUPERVISOR BURKE WOULD LIKE TO REVISE
13 HER RECOMMENDATION TO READ, ON THE SECOND ITEM, "SUPPORT
14 LEGISLATION WHICH PROVIDES FUNDING FOR INCREASED AVAILABILITY
15 OF AN ACCESS TO ROUTINE H.I.V. SCREENING, EDUCATION, OUTREACH
16 CARE AND TREATMENT, ET CETERA." AND ALSO ON...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT AMENDMENT
19 WILL BE ACCEPTED AND WE'LL HAVE THAT BEFORE US.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH VOTES "NO"
22 ON THIS ITEM.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 12, AS INDICATED ON THE
2 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE AMOUNT OF 2,685 SHOULD BE REVISED TO
3 5,369. AND, ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND SUPERVISOR
4 ANTONOVICH WOULD LIKE TO ADD AN AMENDMENT TO DIRECT THE CHIEF
5 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING
6 TO DEVELOP A DRAFT POLICY FOR FEE WAIVERS RELATIVE TO LAND USE
7 APPLICATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND REPORT
8 BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 90 DAYS. ON ITEM 14, THIS ITEM ALSO
9 INCLUDES THE AMENDMENT AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
10 AGENDA.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. BURKE MOVES,
13 KNABE SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ALL OF THEM EXCEPT FOR ITEM
14 9, WHERE MR. ANTONOVICH IS RECORDED AS A "NO" VOTE. THE
15 AMENDMENTS ARE INCLUDED ON-- ALL THE AMENDMENTS THAT WERE MADE
16 WERE INCLUDED IN THE ACTION. OKAY. GO AHEAD.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 18
19 THROUGH 22. ON ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR KNABE
20 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. BURKE MOVES, MOLINA
23 SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BEACHES AND HARBORS, ITEM 23.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, I'LL SECOND.
3 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, ITEM 24.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOLINA MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS.
8 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM
11 25, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED
12 BACK TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
15 THE ORDER.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, ITEMS 26 AND
18 27. ON ITEM 26, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
19 BE HELD.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM 26 IS BEING HELD.
22 WE HAVE 27 BEFORE US. KNABE MOVES AND MOLINA SECONDS.
23 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ITEMS 28 AND 29. ON ITEM
2 29, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
3 ITEM.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 28 IS BEFORE YOU.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON 28, BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH
10 SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** FIRE DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM 30, THIS
13 RECOMMENDATION WAS REVISED AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
14 AGENDA AND ALSO SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
15 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 1ST, 2007 AND THERE'S ALSO A
16 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO IS THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC?
19 ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HOLD IT AND THEN WE'LL CONTINUE IT. MR.
20 BAXTER WANTS TO BE HEARD ON IT. ALL RIGHT.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 31 THROUGH 33.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOLINA MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS.
25 UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MENTAL HEALTH, ITEMS 34 AND 35.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.

5 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEMS 36 AND 37.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, KNABE SECONDS.

10 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PROBATION, ITEMS 38 AND 39.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.

15 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEALTH, ITEMS 40 AND 41.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.

20 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 42 THROUGH 63. ON ITEM

23 46, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF

24 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED

25 TWO WEEKS TO MAY 1ST, 2007.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
3 CONTINUED FOR TWO WEEKS.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ALSO, ON ITEM 48, THERE'S A REQUEST
6 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND, ALSO ON
7 ITEM 58, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
8 THAT NUMBER-- ITEM NUMBER 58.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINDER ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, BURKE SECONDS.
15 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 26, SHERIFF, ITEM 64.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES, KNABE SECONDS.
20 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 65
23 THROUGH 68. ON ITEM 65, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
24 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MAY 1ST, 2007.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE
2 THE ORDER.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 66 AND 68...

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS.
7 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PUBLIC HEARINGS. ON ITEMS 69 AND 70, WE
10 WILL HOLD THESE ITEMS FOR A PUBLIC HEARING. BUDGET MATTERS,
11 ITEM 71, WE WILL HOLD THIS FOR A REPORT. MISCELLANEOUS,
12 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE
13 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72
14 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN
15 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 72-A.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 72-A. BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH
18 SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
21 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
22 DISTRICT NUMBER 5.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I HAVE A CONSUL-GENERAL. I
25 DON'T KNOW IF YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET THIS THROUGH AIRPORT



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1 SECURITY WHEN YOU GO HOME. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD, TODAY WE ARE SAYING GOOD-BYE TO THE CONSUL-GENERAL
3 OF HUNGARY, THE HONORABLE FERENC BOSENBACHER, WHO HAS SERVED
4 AS CONSUL-GENERAL SINCE OCTOBER 2004. CONSUL-GENERAL
5 BOSENBACHER, THANK YOU FOR WORKING CONTINUOUSLY TO STRENGTHEN
6 AND NURTURE THE FRIENDSHIPS SHARED BY OUR TWO COUNTRIES,
7 HUNGARY AND THE UNITED STATES. YOU HAVE REPRESENTED YOUR
8 COUNTRY VERY WELL. I'M SURE THAT THE HUNGARIAN COMMUNITY HERE
9 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY APPRECIATES ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE. I KNOW
10 THEY DO DURING YOUR TENURE HERE IN LOS ANGELES. PLEASE ACCEPT
11 THIS PLAQUE FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS A TOKEN OF OUR
12 APPRECIATION FOR YOUR SERVICE IN REPRESENTING HUNGARY HERE IN
13 LOS ANGELES AND WE HOPE IT WILL BRING YOU A PLEASANT REMINDER
14 OF YOUR YEARS HERE. THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN LOS ANGELES AND
15 HUNGARY IS SPECIAL AND BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND HUNGARY
16 IS SPECIAL AND WE'VE BEEN HONORED TO WORK WITH YOU OVER THESE
17 LAST THREE YEARS. HAVE A GOOD TRIP HOME. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **THE HONORABLE FERENC BOSENBACHER:** THANK YOU. I AM REALLY
20 HONORED AND HUMBLLED BY THIS INVITATION AND BY THIS MAGNIFICENT
21 PLAQUE, WHICH WILL BE VERY MEMORABLE FOR ME. ACTUALLY, IT WAS
22 15 YEARS AGO WHEN THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF HUNGARY WAS
23 ESTABLISHED AND OFFICIALLY OPENED IN LOS ANGELES AND I'M
24 REALLY HAPPY THAT I COULD POSTED HERE AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE
25 DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, AND



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1 MY COUNTRY. THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OCCASION TO RECOGNIZE AND PAY
2 TRIBUTE FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING EFFORT TO PROMOTE FRIENDSHIP AND
3 COOPERATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY, BETWEEN THE CITY OF LOS
4 ANGELES AND HUNGARY AND, NATURALLY, THE HUNGARIAN COMMUNITY
5 LIVING IN LOS ANGELES AND AROUND. MAY FRIENDSHIP AND
6 UNDERSTANDING, MUTUAL RESPECT AND THE COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRACY,
7 FREEDOM AND PEACE STRENGTHEN THE TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS.
8 AND, REALLY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND IT WAS A PLEASURE AND
9 HONOR FOR ME TO SERVE MY COUNTRY IN YOUR BEAUTIFUL CITY. THANK
10 YOU VERY MUCH AGAIN. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. MIKE ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO, MR. CHAIRMAN,
13 RECOGNIZE JUDGE VICTOR PERSON, WHO IS NOW RETIRING FROM THE
14 BENCH. HE'S BEEN A JUDGE SINCE 1985 WHEN GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN
15 HAD APPOINTED HIM TO THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL COURT AND GOVERNOR
16 DEUKMEJIAN'S SUCCESSOR, GOVERNOR PETE WILSON, ELEVATED VICTOR
17 TO THE SUPERIOR COURT IN 1992. HE WAS A NATIVE RESIDENT OF
18 GLENDALE, ATTENDED PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN GLENDALE, GRADUATING FROM
19 HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL, AS HAD HIS PARENTS. HE GRADUATED FROM
20 U.S.C. AND LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL AND THEN JOINED THE DISTRICT
21 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. AS A PROSECUTOR FOR MORE THAN 12 YEARS, HE
22 ROSE TO THE RANK OF SENIOR TRIAL DEPUTY BEFORE HIS APPOINTMENT
23 TO THE BENCH BY GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN. HIS ASSIGNMENTS INCLUDED
24 FIVE YEARS OF CONSUMER ENVIRONMENTAL CASES AND TIME AS A TOP
25 JUVENILE COURT DEPUTY, FIRST IN SYLMAR AND LATER IN DOWNTOWN.



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1 HE'S BEEN ACTIVE IN REPUBLICAN POLITICS, COORDINATING THE
2 STATEWIDE LAWYERS GROUP FOR SUPPORTING GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN IN
3 HIS CAMPAIGNS FOR GOVERNOR. AS A JUDGE, HE SERVED AS CHAIR OF
4 THE L.A. COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES ASSOCIATION FROM '88 TO
5 1991 AND THIS LAST SEVERAL YEARS, HE'S BEEN PRESIDING OVER
6 GENERAL CIVIL DEPARTMENT AT THE STANLEY MOSS COURTHOUSE. SO,
7 VICTOR, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK
8 WITH YOU HERE AND ALSO AS A MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES
9 AND WE ALSO LOST A GOOD COLLEAGUE WHO PASSED AWAY THIS WEEK,
10 BYRD CHRISTIAN, HE PASSED AWAY, THAT WE WORKED TOGETHER EVERY
11 JANUARY 1ST. BUT ON THE GOOD NEWS, WE CONGRATULATE YOU, WE
12 HOPE YOU'LL STILL STAY INVOLVED IN BEING A SITTING JUDGE OR ON
13 TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT.

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15 **JUDGE VICTOR H. PERSON:** I GUESS THE TONE OF THE DAY FOR ME
16 RETIRING FROM COUNTY SERVICE FIRST AS A D.A. AND NOW AS A
17 JUDGE IS AMBIVALENCE. IT'S BEEN A WONDERFUL TRIP. I SEE MANY
18 FAMILIAR FACES HERE, INCLUDING THE SERGEANT STANDING IN FRONT
19 OF ME. MIKE, WHO I'VE KNOWN FOR MANY YEARS. I WANT TO THANK
20 ALL OF YOU. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD, BOARD-- PRESENT BOARD
21 AND BOARD PAST FOR ALL THE SUPPORT THEY'VE GIVEN TO THE
22 DEPARTMENTS AND TO THE COURTS AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [
23 APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITH ME RIGHT NOW IS GOING TO BE PETER
2 DARAKDJIAN WHO IS THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF AMERICA AND HAIG
3 HOVSEPIAN OF THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE. THIS IS THE TIME
4 THAT THE WORLD AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES JOINS WITH THE
5 WORLD RECOGNITION AND COMMEMORATION OF A VERY SAD EVENT THAT
6 OCCURRED IN WORLD HISTORY AND THAT'S THE 92ND ANNIVERSARY OF
7 THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. THIS TOOK PLACE ON APRIL 24TH, 1915,
8 WHEN THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT BEGAN A SYSTEMATIC EXTERMINATION
9 OF THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY. MANY OF US HAVE VERY CLOSE, DEAR
10 FRIENDS WHO LOST THEIR FAMILIES IN THAT TRAGEDY. RELIGIOUS,
11 POLITICAL AND INTELLECTUAL ARMENIAN LEADERS WERE AMONG THE 1.5
12 MILLION VICTIMS WHO WERE ARRESTED AND MURDERED. AND, DUE TO
13 THIS HORRIBLE TRAGEDY, THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY IS COMMITTED TO
14 ENSURING THAT THOSE WHO DIED HAVE NOT DIED IN VAIN, THAT THAT
15 TRAGEDY WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED SO IT WILL NOT BE REPEATED
16 AGAIN BY DEDICATING APRIL 24TH AS THE DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR
17 THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. BY CONSISTENTLY REMEMBERING AND OPENLY
18 CONDEMNING THE ATROCITIES COMMITTED AGAINST THE ARMENIANS, LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY DEMONSTRATES ITS SENSITIVITY TO THE NEED FOR
20 CONSTANT VIGILANCE TO PREVENT SIMILAR EVENTS IN THE FUTURE.
21 ARMENIA IS NOW A FREE AND INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC, HAVING
22 EMBRACED DEMOCRACY FOLLOWING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE SOVIET
23 UNION. AND I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF BEING ONE OF THE OBSERVERS
24 OF THE FIRST FREE DEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS IN YEREVAN A FEW YEARS
25 AGO WITH GREG KAWAJIAN AND OTHERS AT THAT TIME. LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY IS HOME TO THE LARGEST POPULATION OF ARMENIANS IN THE
2 UNITED STATES AND THEY HAVE ENRICHED OUR COUNTY THROUGH THEIR
3 SERVICES IN THE FIELD OF BUSINESS, AGRICULTURE, MEDICINE,
4 GOVERNMENT, ACADEMIA AND THE ARTS. SO, AT THIS TIME, THE BOARD
5 OF SUPERVISORS HAS DECLARED APRIL 24TH AS A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE
6 FOR THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE OF 1915 TO 1923 THROUGHOUT LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY AND WE WORK TO SECURE THE CLOSURE, HEALING, AND
8 UNDERSTANDING FOR THOSE IMPACTED BY THIS, INCLUDING THE
9 350,000 ARMENIAN-AMERICANS WHO LIVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
10 ANGELES.

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12 **SPEAKER:** WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
13 ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR SOLEMNLY COMMEMORATING
14 THE 92ND ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. AS HE
15 MENTIONED, THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY WHO FLED FROM THE GENOCIDE
16 FOUND REFUGE IN THE UNITED STATES AND IN LOS ANGELES. WE WERE
17 WELCOMED AND, AS MENTIONED, WE HAVE TRIED TO REPAY THAT
18 KINDNESS BY BECOMING A PRODUCTIVE AND FELLOW BROTHERLY AND
19 SISTERLY COMMUNITY TO THE LOS ANGELES AND CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY
20 AT LARGE AND ESPECIALLY ON THIS SOLEMN OCCASION. AS VICTIMS OF
21 GENOCIDE AND THEIR DESCENDANTS, WE REDEDICATE OURSELVES AND
22 JOIN THE COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES IN STEMMING AGAINST SIMILAR
23 CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY WHEREVER THEY OCCUR AS CITIZENS
24 UPHOLDING THE PRINCIPLES OF THIS GREAT NATION, AND OF THIS
25 GREAT CITY AND OF THIS COUNTY.



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SPEAKER: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING
THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. WE ARE HERE TODAY AS EVIDENCE THAT WE
HAVE SURVIVED ONE OF THE BIGGEST GENOCIDES, THE FIRST OF THE
20TH CENTURY. WE HAVE COME AND GROWN AND PROSPERED AND MADE
OUR POINT OF MAKING SURE THAT THE WORLD OVER RECOGNIZES THAT
THERE WAS A GENOCIDE. WE REQUEST FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED STATES TO FINALLY RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT THERE WAS AN
ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND IT WAS NOT JUST A SIMPLE ATROCITY. TODAY
AND THIS WEEK, WE COMMEMORATE THIS GENOCIDE THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD IN ALL THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND
LET IT BE KNOWN THAT, HAD ARMENIAN GENOCIDE BEEN RECOGNIZED IN
THE 1920S AND 1930S, THERE WOULD HAVE NOT BEEN A HOLOCAUST AND
THERE WOULD NOT BE A DARFUR TODAY. A DARFUR TODAY IS NOTHING
BUT A XEROX COPY OR REPLICATION OF WHAT HAPPENED TO THE
ARMENIAN PEOPLE THROUGH THE DESERT. WE STAND HERE REQUESTING
THAT THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE BE RECOGNIZED ONCE AND FOR ALL AND
LET THE SOUL OF THE MILLION AND A HALF THAT DIED IN THE DESERT
REST IN PEACE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

21

SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE TWO OF THE INTERNS
IN MY OFFICE, VINNY ZAMORA READMAN, WHO STARTED WORKING BACK
IN SEPTEMBER 2004 AS A STUDENT VOLUNTEER FINISHING HER
CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT LONG



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1 BEACH. DURING THE 2-1/2 YEARS THAT VINNY HAS BEEN WITH US, A
2 SHORT TIME AS A RECRUIT WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, VINNY
3 HAS BEEN AN EXEMPLARY EMPLOYEE, COORDINATING ALL OF THE
4 SCROLLS FOR OUR DISTRICT'S SIX FIELD OFFICES. SHE'S NOW
5 MARRIED. SHE MARRIED AN INTERN IN MY OFFICE AS WELL AND SHE'S
6 GOING TO BE-- AND THAT WAS GEORGE READMAN. SHE'S GOING TO
7 BEGIN A WORLD TOUR BECAUSE THEY'VE JUST BEEN MARRIED ABOUT,
8 WHAT, SIX WEEKS AGO? ABOUT TWO MONTHS AGO AND THEY'RE GOING TO
9 SETTLE IN TEXAS WHEN THEY RETURN. SO, FROM CALIFORNIA TO TEXAS
10 AND WE HOPE THAT YOU PURSUE MAYBE BECOMING A TEXAS RANGER
11 INSTEAD OF A L.A. COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF BUT WE APPRECIATE YOU
12 FOR ALL YOUR GOOD WORK. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND JEFFREY HERRERA WHO JOINED OUR STAFF IN
15 2005, SEPTEMBER, AS MY INTERN. HE'S FINISHED HIS DOUBLE MAJOR
16 IN ECONOMICS AND MATHEMATICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
17 CALIFORNIA AND HE'S THE SON OF MY SENIOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT
18 ROSALIE HERRERA IN MY OFFICE. HE'S A ROLE MODEL FOR OTHER
19 STUDENT INTERNS, HARDWORKING AND VERY CONSCIENTIOUS AND HE'S
20 GOING TO BE PLACING HIS MATH AND ECONOMICS EDUCATION TO WORK
21 FOR THE FIRM OF TECLACOA RESEARCH IN MANHATTAN BEACH AND HIS
22 BROTHER, HE SERVES VERY PROUDLY WITH THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY
23 PATROL. YOU MAY VISIT HIM SOMETIME ON THE FREEWAY, HOPEFULLY
24 YOU WOULD JUST BE ABLE WAVE TO HIM AND NOT HAVE A EXTENDED
25 CONVERSATION WITH HIM. SO, JEFF, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY,



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1 YOU'RE ONE OF U.S.C.'S GREATEST, BRIGHTEST AND MOST
2 ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTER, WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE GOOD WORK
3 YOU HAVE DONE FOLLOWING IN YOUR MOTHER'S FOOTSTEPS. [APPLAUSE
4]

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY, WE ARE ALSO CELEBRATING, AS YOU CAN
7 SEE IN THE AUDIENCE, THE DAUGHTERS AND SONS WORKDAY AND THIS
8 GIVES OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THEIR-- THE
9 CHILDREN SEE THEIR PARENTS AT WORK AND WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK
10 ALL OF THOSE WHO ARE HERE TODAY TO STAND UP FOR THE PARENTS
11 AND CHILDREN FOR THE COUNTY PARENTS WORKDAY. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, SOME YOU MAY WANT TO TELL YOUR PARENTS
14 WHAT IS COMING UP RIGHT NOW, THAT YOU'D LIKE TO BE THE FUTURE
15 LITTLE MOMMY OR DADDY FOR LITTLE AUSSIE, WHO IS AN AUSTRALIAN
16 CATTLE DOG MIX. THIS IS LITTLE AUSSIE. LOOK AT THAT LITTLE
17 CUTE LITTLE FACE. SEE? SO HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. HE'S JUST
18 ABOUT EIGHT WEEKS OLD. YOU CAN CALL (562) 728-4644 AND LITTLE
19 AUSSIE CAN BE YOURS. CHUCK'S GRANDSON IS IN THE FRONT ROW.
20 OKAY. SEE EVERYBODY? THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? I'M GOING TO
23 TAKE HER OUT OF ORDER BECAUSE SHE HAS SOMEBODY WHO NEEDS TO
24 LEAVE AND THEN I WILL...

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS MORNING, I WANT TO
2 MAKE A VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION TO AN AWFULLY DEAR FRIEND OF
3 MINE. IT'S SOMEONE WHO WAS BORN 90 YEARS AGO RIGHT HERE IN
4 WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS CHINATOWN. HER DAD WAS AN ITALIAN FROM
5 ITALY AND HER MOM, A MEXICAN FROM MEXICO. SHE IS CELEBRATING
6 HER 90TH BIRTHDAY AND I WANT TO THANK HER FOR JOINING US AND
7 EVERYBODY WHO CAME HERE, JODI, WHO BROUGHT HER OVER, ALL OF
8 THESE FOLKS ARE A PART OF IT. CARMEN HAS BEEN VERY, VERY
9 SPECIAL. CARMEN AND HER SISTERS GREW UP IN LINCOLN HEIGHTS.
10 THEY ATTENDED ALL OF THE ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL AS WELL
11 AS LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL BUT ONE OF THE THINGS IS THEY HAVE BEEN
12 A VERY ACTIVE PART OF THE LINCOLN HEIGHTS COMMUNITY AND OUR
13 ENTIRE COMMUNITY. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENJOY THEIR
14 PARTNERSHIP WITH ME ON VARIOUS CAMPAIGNS AND THEY CAME AND
15 JOINED US AND WERE PART OF OUR STICKERS AND LICORICE CREW THAT
16 WE HAD THERE, BUT THE SISTERS FOR A LONG TIME HAVE BEEN KNOWN
17 AS A GROUP WHO JOINED WITH US ALL THE TIME. AND, OF COURSE, IT
18 WAS ANITA, AND TILLIE AND TONY, ALL OF THEM WERE A PART OF
19 THAT, AS WELL AS JODIE WAS BROUGHT ALONG FROM TIME TO TIME.
20 AND THEY'VE RECRUITED AN AWFUL LOT OF FOLKS AND THEY'VE BEEN
21 INVOLVED IN CAMPAIGNS FROM ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA'S CAMPAIGN, ED
22 REYES' CAMPAIGN, CONGRESSMAN XAVIER BECERRA'S CAMPAIGN BUT
23 THEY THEMSELVES HAVE BEEN ACTIVISTS IN THE COMMUNITY FOR A
24 LONG TIME. CARMEN STILL LIVES IN THAT AREA AND WE'RE VERY
25 PROUD TO HAVE HER HERE. SHE IS SOMEONE WHO WORKED FOR A LONG



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1 TIME, HAD HER OWN BUSINESS IN THE COMMUNITY AT ONE TIME, WENT
2 ON AND, OF COURSE, RETIRED FROM THE L.A.P.D. IN WHICH SHE
3 SERVED THERE IN THE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT. SHE'S VERY
4 PROUD OF THE WORK THAT SHE'S DONE AND, OF COURSE, WE'RE VERY
5 PROUD OF HER. THEY WERE A VERY, VERY SPECIAL GROUP OF WOMEN IN
6 OUR COMMUNITY. THEY WERE KNOWN AS, QUOTE, THE GOLDEN GIRLS. WE
7 ALL KNEW THEM AND THEY WERE THE ONES THAT VOLUNTEERED ALL OF
8 THE TIME. TODAY, SHE IS JOINED, AS I MENTIONED, BY HER NEPHEW,
9 JODY, WHO HAS DONE AN UNBELIEVABLE JOB OF TAKING CARE OF HER
10 AND BRINGING HER HERE, AS WELL AS NIECE, ARLENE AND ARLENE'S
11 HUSBAND, THEY'RE ALSO HERE. CARMEN'S NEPHEW, RONNIE, HER
12 BELOVED FRIEND, OFFICER OSCAR CASSINI FROM THE L.A.P.D. AND AS
13 WELL AS A FAMILY MEMBER, WHICH IS OUR OXNARD CITY MANAGER, ED
14 SOTELLO. WELCOME. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THESE ARE ALL PEOPLE WHO
15 I, LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, RESPECT CARMEN, LOVE HER DEARLY. I
16 WANTED TO BRING HER HERE TODAY BECAUSE, NEXT WEEK, OUR BOARD
17 IS GOING OFF TO WASHINGTON, D.C., AND I'M NOT GOING TO BE HERE
18 TO CELEBRATE WITH CARMEN ON THAT BIRTHDAY BUT WE'RE GOING TO
19 BE HERE IN SPIRIT. BUT I WANTED TO MAKE A PRESENTATION SIGNED
20 BY ALL FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CARMEN.
21 EVERYBODY WANTS TO WISH YOU A VERY, VERY HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY.
22 CONGRATULATIONS. WE LOVE YOU. DO YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS
23 AGAIN?

24

25 **CARMEN AZZOLINO:** I WANT TO THANK YOU. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. HERE'S SOME ROSES FOR YOU... [
3 APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAVE A BEAUTIFUL BIRTHDAY CAKE HERE FOR
6 CARMEN. WE'RE GOING TO CUT IT UP AND WE'LL PASS OUT AS MUCH AS
7 WE CAN. WE'RE GOING TO CELEBRATE. CONGRATULATIONS. ALL RIGHT.
8 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** DOES GLORIA HAVE ANOTHER ONE?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ONE MORE. GLORIA? GLORIA? DO YOU
13 HAVE ONE MORE? YOU HAVE ONE MORE, DON'T YOU?

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD PASTOR WADDELL
20 HUDSON. PASTOR HUDSON WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE U.S.
21 AIR FORCE IN 1955 BEFORE BEGINNING HIS JOURNEY IN THE
22 MINISTRY. HE GRADUATED FROM LOS ANGELES BIBLE SCHOOL AND CALEB
23 SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY IN 1962 AND GAVE HIS FIRST SERMON AS AN
24 ASSOCIATE MINISTER AT MOUNT HERMAN WHERE HE SERVED BEFORE
25 BECOMING PASTOR AT PROGRESS BAPTIST CHURCH IN 1976. DURING HIS



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1 TENURE AT PROGRESS BAPTIST CHURCH, PASTOR HUDSON DEVELOPED A
2 STRATEGIC PLAN AND MISSION TO BRING HELP AND HOPE TO THE
3 HELPLESS AND HOPELESS, SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL
4 THROUGH OUTREACH AND EVANGELISM. PASTOR HUDSON HAS ALSO SERVED
5 HIS COMMUNITY IN OTHER CAPACITIES SUCH AS THE MEMBER OF THE
6 L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S CENTURY STATION CLERGY COUNCIL AND
7 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMISSION. IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO
8 PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO PASTOR WADDELL HUDSON AND COMMEND HIM
9 FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO NOT ONLY HIS
10 CONGREGATION BUT TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
11 CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **PASTOR WADDELL HUDSON:** GOOD MORNING TO EVERYBODY. THANK GOD
14 FOR THE JOURNEY. TO ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS, ESPECIALLY TO MS.
15 BURKE. I'D JUST LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY ENTOURAGE. MY WIFE,
16 LILLIE, OF 48 YEARS. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **PASTOR WADDELL HUDSON:** MY DAUGHTER, WANDA, NUMBER ONE
19 DAUGHTER. MOTHER, ROSA LIMBO, ONE OF MY MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH.
20 DEACONESS TERRY HEINZ, OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR, AND LAWANDA, SHE'S
21 IN THE AUDIENCE, OUR MUSICIAN IN THE AUDIENCE. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **PASTOR WADDELL HUDSON:** THANK GOD FOR THE JOURNEY AND I JUST
24 WANT TO SAY THANKS TO MS. BURKE. SHE HAS BEEN A REAL TROOPER
25 AS FAR AS HELPING US OUT. OUR CHURCH WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE



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1 YEARS AGO. WE LOST OUR PLANNING IN LOITERS AND LENNOX. MADE A
2 CALL TO SUPERVISOR HAHN'S OFFICE AND THEY FOUND THEM OVERNIGHT
3 AND MS. BURKE HAS FOLLOWED IN THOSE FOOTSTEPS AND WE
4 APPRECIATE YOU VERY MUCH. GOD BLESS YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD CARMEN MOCH, REGIONAL
7 VICE-PRESIDENT OF TARGET STORES, BERNARD BOUDREAU, COMMUNITY
8 RELATIONS MANAGER, AND JAN O'LAUGHLIN, SENIOR SPECIALIST.
9 WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE COME FORWARD? TODAY, WE ARE ACKNOWLEDGING
10 THE TREMENDOUS COMMITMENT BEING MADE BY TARGET TO SUPPORT ARTS
11 EDUCATION IN THE COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. THEY HAVE
12 CONTRIBUTED TO COMPTON UNIFIED A TOTAL OF \$70,000 GRANT TO
13 HELP FUND THE RESTORATION OF ARTS EDUCATION FOR MORE THAN
14 31,000 STUDENTS ATTENDING THE DISTRICT'S 23 ELEMENTARY
15 SCHOOLS, NINE MIDDLE SCHOOLS, THREE HIGH SCHOOLS AND THREE
16 ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DISTRICT
17 STRATEGIC PLAN FOR ARTS EDUCATION WAS DEVELOPED AS A PART OF
18 THE COUNTY'S ARTS FOR ALL INITIATIVE. CONSISTENT WITH TARGET'S
19 HISTORY OF COMMUNITY GIVING, THEIR SUPPORT IS ENSURING THAT,
20 OVER TIME, ALL K THROUGH 12 STUDENTS AT COMPTON UNIFIED WILL
21 RECEIVE A QUALITY EDUCATION IN DANCE, MUSIC, THEATRE AND
22 VISUAL ARTS. I'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO
23 HAVING A NEW TARGET STORE OPEN IN COMPTON THIS FALL AND IT'S
24 WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO TARGET IN



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1 RECOGNITION OF THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE AND GENEROUS
2 CONTRIBUTION TO ARTS EDUCATION. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **CARMEN MOCH:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE. TARGET HAS BEEN A
5 MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY FOR 25 YEARS AND WE ARE
6 ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL
7 DISTRICT AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION. IN 2006,
8 TARGET GAVE OVER \$3.5 MILLION IN L.A. COUNTY TO INSPIRE
9 EDUCATION, ARTS AND FAMILY. OUR TARGET TEAM MEMBERS ALSO HAVE
10 VOLUNTEERED THOUSANDS OF HOURS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
11 COMMUNITIES. ON BEHALF OF TARGET AND THE 10,000 TARGET TEAM
12 MEMBERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU,
13 SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND THE ENTIRE
14 BOARD FOR THIS HONOR AND RECOGNITION TODAY. THANK YOU. [
15 APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF I CAN JUST TAKE A MOMENT TO
18 ALSO THANK TARGET FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE DANCE SERIES AT THE
19 JOHN ANSON FORD THEATRE THIS SUMMER. TARGET'S GRANT WILL
20 SUBSIDIZE TICKETS FOR KIDS AND STUDENTS SO THEY'LL ONLY BE
21 REQUIRED TO PAY \$5 TO ATTEND FOUR DANCE EVENTS. IT'S A REAL
22 BARGAIN. IT UNDERWRITES THE PRODUCTION OF THE DANCE SERIES
23 BROCHURE AND SPECIAL OUTREACH TO STUDENTS AND FAMILIES
24 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND, IN ADDITION, TARGET IS ALSO
25 BRINGING-- TAKING OUT A FULL PAGE AD IN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES



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1 FOR THE DANCE SERIES. THIS SUPPORT HELPS BUILD OUR AUDIENCES,
2 BUILD FUTURE AUDIENCES FOR DANCE AND CREATE GREATER AWARENESS
3 OF THE FORD AMPHITHEATER AND ITS OFFERINGS. AND I WANT TO
4 THANK TARGET FOR ITS COMMITMENT TO THE ARTS AND ESPECIALLY THE
5 ARTS AS IT RELATES TO YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY. THANK YOU
6 FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** I WOULD NOW LIKE TO CALL UP VERBUM DEI AND WE'RE
9 GOING TO CALL KENDRICK KNOX, WHO IS THE HEAD COACH OF THE
10 VERBUM DEI HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM, 2006 CIF STATE FOOTBALL
11 CHAMPIONS. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WE ARE HONORED TODAY TO HAVE WITH US THE ONLY
14 CATHOLIC SCHOOL TO EVER WIN A C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION FOOTBALL
15 TITLE. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** THIS FOOTBALL TEAM, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF COACH
18 OF THE YEAR, KENDRICK KNOX, DEFEATED LASALLE 32 TO 10 IN THE
19 DIVISION 11 CHAMPIONSHIP GAME IN DECEMBER OF LAST YEAR. 2006
20 WAS AN EXCEPTIONAL YEAR FOR THE TEAM. NOT ONLY DID THEY WIN
21 THE C.I.F. TITLE AND THEIR COACH HONORED AS COACH OF THE YEAR,
22 FIVE PLAYERS WERE SIGNED TO DIVISION ONE SCHOOLS: CHRISTIAN
23 BROWN FRAZIER, TO TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY. WHERE IS HE?
24 RIGHT HERE. JONATHAN CALHOUN TO U.C-DAVIS. [APPLAUSE]

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** REGGIE DUNN TO OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY. [APPLAUSE
2]

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** BOTH HAKEEM AYRES AND JUSTIN EDISON TO U.C.L.A.
5 WHERE ARE THEY? [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IT'S WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT THIS
8 SCROLL TO VERBUM DEI HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM IN CELEBRATION
9 OF THEIR TITLE AS 2006 C.I.F. CHAMPIONS. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **KENDRICK KNOX:** GOOD MORNING TO EVERYONE. IT'S A PLEASURE AND A
12 BLESSING TO BE HERE IN FRONT OF YOU. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE
13 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND MRS. BURKE FOR INVITING US HERE THIS
14 MORNING TO PRESENT US WITH THESE TOKENS OF APPRECIATION. I'D
15 JUST LIKE TO THANK THESE YOUNG MEN FOR WORKING HARD. EVEN
16 THOUGH WE'RE A FOOTBALL TEAM, WE'RE A GREAT ACADEMIC TEAM. AS
17 YOU CAN SEE, WE HAVE SOME GREAT YOUNG MEN GET SOME SCHOLARSHIP
18 IN ATHLETICS TO SOME GREAT INSTITUTIONS BUT WE ALSO HAVE A
19 HUNDRED PERCENT OF OUR SENIOR CLASS AT VERBUM DEI HIGH SCHOOL
20 WILL ATTEND COLLEGE THIS YEAR. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **KENDRICK KNOX:** AND THAT'S JUST A GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENT BECAUSE
23 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SUPPORTS A LOT OF GREAT THINGS IN
24 LOS ANGELES AND WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
25 FOR HELPING US ACHIEVE THESE GOALS. RIGHT NOW, I'D LIKE TO



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1 INTRODUCE THE PRESIDENT OF OUR SCHOOL, DR. JOHN WHALEY. [

2 APPLAUSE]

3

4 **DR. JOHN WHALEY:** THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF VERBUM DEI HIGH
5 SCHOOL, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP GRATITUDE TO YOU,
6 SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND TO ALL THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE
7 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. VERBUM DEI HIGH SCHOOL IS A SMALL, ALL
8 BOYS SCHOOL RIGHT IN THE HEART OF WATTS ON SOUTH CENTRAL
9 AVENUE. IT HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE SINCE 1962 AND IT REMAINS
10 EVER MORE A BEACON OF HOPE IN OUR COMMUNITY, WHICH TRAGICALLY
11 ALL TOO OFTEN STILL HAS A PERVADING SENSE OF HOPELESSNESS THAT
12 LEADS TO GANGS AND GANG VIOLENCE AND THESE YOUNG MEN, THESE
13 GENTLEMEN OF VERBUM DEI STAND IN GREAT CONTRAST TO EVERYTHING
14 AROUND THEM AND THEIR COMMUNITY, OUR GENTLEMEN AND OUR PARENTS
15 DESERVE A HECK OF A LOT OF CREDIT. THEY'RE AN INSPIRATION TO
16 ALL OF US HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WE SALUTE THEM AND WE
17 APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION TODAY, VERY WELL DESERVED. OUR
18 ATHLETIC DIRECTOR IS MR. LAWRENCE WILLIS. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **LAWRENCE WILLIS:** GREETINGS, EVERYONE. FIRST GIVING HONOR TO
21 GOD AND, IN THE SPIRIT OF VERBUM DEI, WHICH, IN LATIN, IS "IN
22 THE WORD OF GOD", I GREET YOU AND I THANK THE SUPERVISORS, I
23 THANK YOU, MRS. BURKE, FOR ALL YOUR ASSISTANCE AND RECOGNIZING
24 US AND FOR THIS HONOR. NOT ONLY IS IT A WONDERFUL OCCASION, AN
25 AUSPICIOUS OCCASION THAT WE ARE HERE BEING HONORED IN THIS WAY



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1 BUT I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU WHAT MAKES THIS TEAM GREAT. NOT
2 ONLY HAVE THEY ACCOMPLISHED THEIR GOAL BY BEING GREAT ATHLETES
3 AND DOING THE THINGS THAT ARE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO WIN A
4 CHAMPIONSHIP, THE THING THAT MAKES US MOST PROUD OF THESE
5 YOUNG MEN IS THAT THEY ARE PART OF THE CORPORATE WORK STUDY
6 PROGRAM AT VERBUM DEI. THAT MEANS THESE YOUNG MEN WORK FIVE
7 DAYS A MONTH, THEY ALL HAVE JOBS AND THEY'VE BEEN ABLE NOT
8 ONLY TO ACHIEVE ACADEMICALLY BUT ATHLETICALLY, SO THEY DESERVE
9 A WELL DESERVED ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US. [
10 APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THANK YOU AND WE WISH THEM THE BEST AS THEY
13 MOVE ON IN THEIR CAREER AND WE'RE GOING TO BE READING ABOUT
14 THEM AND WATCHING THEM. LOTS OF LUCK TO YOU AND
15 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** DID WE GET A PICTURE WITH EVERYBODY, DID WE GET
18 THE WHOLE TEAM? RUSS, YOU WANT TO TRY TO GET THE WHOLE TEAM.
19 IS JOAN JACKSON, THE SAFETY BELT-- OKAY. WE'D LIKE TO ASK HER
20 TO COME FORWARD. WE HAVE JOAN JACKSON, WHO IS HERE EVERY YEAR
21 WITH US, PAST PRESIDENT OF SAFETYBELTSAFE U.S.A. THE NUMBER
22 ONE PREVENTABLE CAUSE OF DEATH AND INJURY TO CHILDREN AND
23 YOUNG ADULTS IS AUTOMOBILE COLLISIONS. MORE THAN 100 CHILD
24 PASSENGERS UNDER 16 ARE KILLED AND MORE THAN 15,000 INJURED IN
25 AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS EACH YEAR. UP TO 71% OF THESE CHILDREN



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1 WOULD STILL BE LIVING TODAY IF THEY HAD BEEN PROPERLY
2 RESTRAINED IN CRASH-TESTED SAFETY SEATS, BOOSTERS OR SAFETY
3 BELTS. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS RULED THAT, UNTIL A CHILD
4 IS SIX YEARS OLD OR 60 POUNDS, THEY MUST BE RESTRAINED IN
5 SAFETY SEATS OR BOOSTERS IN THE BACK SEAT WHEN RIDING IN A
6 MOTOR VEHICLE AND THAT ALL OCCUPANTS MUST BE PROPERLY
7 RESTRAINED IN SAFETY SEATS OR SAFETY BELTS. IT'S MY PLEASURE
8 TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO JOAN JACKSON AS THE LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMS APRIL 22ND THROUGH THE
10 28TH AS SAFETY SEAT CHECKUP WEEK, REMINDING US ALL WE HAVE TO
11 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE OUR SEATBELTS AND THAT ALL CHILDREN ARE
12 PROPERLY IN A SEAT THAT IS A SAFETY-- AND IT HAS TO BE AN
13 ACCEPTED, UP TO QUALITY.

14

15 **JOAN JACKSON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BURKE, AND I
16 WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS GREAT
17 HONOR. AND, AS WE ARE TALKING TODAY ABOUT CHILD PASSENGER
18 SAFETY, DON'T FORGET ADULTS. CLICK IT OR TICKET. THANK YOU. [
19 APPLAUSE]

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21 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** IT'S WONDERFUL THAT WE HAVE CARS NOW
22 WITH AIR BAGS IN A LOT OF PLACES BUT WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT
23 FOR PARENTS TO REMEMBER IS YOUR KIDS REALLY NEED TO BE IN
24 THESE SPECIAL SEATS, IN THE BACK SEAT, UNTIL THEIR 60 POUNDS
25 OR SIX YEARS OF AGE. DON'T BE FOOLED. THAT'S IN BEST INTEREST



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1 OF YOUR FAMILY'S SAFETY AND, OF COURSE, BE THE ROLE MODEL,
2 BUCKLE UP IMMEDIATELY WHEN YOU'RE IN THE CAR AND ALL THE TIME.
3 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, LAST WEEK, WE HAD A LOT OF DISCUSSION ABOUT
6 PLASTIC BAGS AND GROCERY BAGS. TODAY SIDE I'D LIKE TO CALL UP
7 STEVE BATSOFFEN AND JOHN DEAN. WE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO STUDY
8 THE NEGATIVE IMPACT OF BOTH PLASTIC AND PAPER SACK WASTE BAGS
9 AND TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES TO IMPROVE THIS ISSUE. ONE OF THE
10 POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES TO REDUCE SACK WASTE IS TO INCREASE
11 UTILIZATION OF REUSABLE BAGS. AN EXAMPLE BEING IN AUSTRALIA,
12 WHERE REUSABLE BAGS WERE INTRODUCED A FEW YEARS AGO AND
13 PLASTIC BAG USAGE WAS REDUCED BY ALMOST 50%. THERE ARE MANY
14 COMPANIES CURRENTLY FORMING PARTNERSHIPS WITH EARTH SHARE, A
15 NATIONWIDE NETWORK OF THE COUNTRY'S MOST RESPECTED
16 CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS, TO LAUNCH A NATIONAL REUSABLE BAG
17 DAY ONE DAY BEFORE EARTH DAY ON APRIL 21ST. THE GOAL OF THIS
18 DAY IS TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF AMERICANS THE IMPORTANT
19 NEED TO REDUCE PLASTIC BAG CONSUMPTION. I'M VERY PLEASED TO
20 PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO JOAN JACKSON AS L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMS THE DAY OF APRIL 21ST AS NATIONAL
22 REUSABLE BAG DAY AND I ENCOURAGE ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND
23 RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THIS DAY AND USE REUSABLE BAGS. AND EVEN
24 IF YOU HAVE YOUR PAPER BAG, BRING IT BACK. AND I WANT TO THANK
25 YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING PART OF THIS.



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2 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US FROM EARTH-WISE BAG COMPANY
3 AND OUR NONPROFIT PARTNER, EARTH SHARE, WE THANK YOU FOR
4 RECOGNITION OF THIS FORMAL DAY, APRIL 21ST, AS REUSABLE BAG
5 DAY HERE IN THE COUNTY AND WE ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU AND FOLKS
6 THAT YOU KNOW TO TAKE A REUSABLE BAG WITH YOU, LIKE THIS, ON
7 SATURDAY TO THE GROCERY STORE AND BEYOND SO IT CAN BECOME A
8 BEHAVIOR WE DO ON A REGULAR BASIS. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. WE
9 APPRECIATE IT.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU. I PUT MINE IN MY CAR SO I WOULDN'T
12 FORGET.

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14 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S THE WAY TO DO IT.

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16 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I HAVE-- FIRST OF ALL,
19 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS HERE, I BELIEVE, STEVE COOLEY. STEVE,
20 COME ON DOWN, YOU'RE THE NEXT CONTESTANT ON "THE PRICE IS
21 RIGHT". AND, ALONG WITH OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, STEVE COOLEY,
22 IS ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, SHARON MATSUMOTO, SPECIAL
23 ASSISTANT KIMBERLY YOUNG, ASSISTANT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATORS,
24 BARBARA HARRIS, PATRICIA TUCKER AND ADA CHARRO AND COME OVER
25 HERE. AS WE DO EVERY YEAR, THIS YEAR, APRIL 22ND THROUGH 28TH,



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1 IS CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK AND WE WANTED TO PROCLAIM CRIME
2 VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THAT
3 WEEK. NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK COMMEMORATES EVERY
4 VICTIM EVERY TIME. THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RENEWS ITS
5 COMMITMENT TO FULFILL THE PROMISE TO PROTECT THEIR RIGHTS
6 THROUGH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE
7 PROGRAM AND TO SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS THAT AID VICTIMS
8 COUNTYWIDE. FOR MORE THAN 29 YEARS, THIS PROGRAM HAS STRIVED
9 TO IMPROVE ADVOCACY, COMPENSATION AND RESTITUTION FOR VICTIMS
10 OF CRIME. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
11 WISHES TO HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 22ND THROUGH 28TH, 2007, AS
12 CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS
13 ANGELES AND HONORS THE WORK OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S VICTIM
14 WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND ALL OTHERS WHO PROVIDE COMFORT
15 AND AID TO CRIME VICTIMS. AND I CAN SAY, I THINK SPEAK FOR ALL
16 OF THE SUPERVISORS, THAT THIS DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND HIS STAFF
17 WALKS A MILE IN THE SHOES OF THE VICTIMS. THAT'S WHAT KEEPS
18 THEM GOING, THAT'S THE PASSION THAT THEY SHOW WHEN THEY PURSUE
19 CRIME AND TRY TO HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE CRIMES THEY
20 COMMIT, ESPECIALLY VIOLENT CRIME WHICH PLAGUES OUR COMMUNITY
21 FAR TOO MUCH. SO, STEVE, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND
22 YOUR STAFF'S LEADERSHIP AND I WANT TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS
23 PROCLAMATION.

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1 **STEVE COOLEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE'RE HERE ONCE AGAIN. I
2 MUST TELL YOU, DURING MY 33-YEAR CAREER AS A DEPUTY D.A., 27
3 YEARS AND 6 YEARS AS D.D.A., THERE'S BEEN TREMENDOUS POSITIVE
4 PROGRESS IN THE AREA OF ASSERTING, FOLLOWING THROUGH ON
5 VICTIMS' RIGHTS. A KEY COMPONENT OF THAT IS OUR VICTIM WITNESS
6 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. SOME OF THE MANAGERS ARE HERE TODAY. WE
7 HAVE MANY GOOD EMPLOYEES WHO WORK EVERY DAY BRINGING
8 RESTITUTION TO VICTIMS, GIVING THEM COMFORT IN COURT,
9 ASSISTING THEM THROUGH THE PROCESS. A LOT OF PROGRESS HAS BEEN
10 MADE. WE'RE NOW ENGAGING IN A TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE
11 JUSTICE SYSTEMS, SECURING RESTITUTION TO VICTIMS, AN AREA
12 THAT'S BEEN SOMEWHAT NEGLECTED OVER THE YEARS, AND, FINALLY,
13 THIS WEEK IS NOT JUST HONORING US OR OUR OFFICE, IT'S REALLY
14 TO HONOR ALL OF THE VOLUNTEER GROUPS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF
15 LOS ANGELES, FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TO POMONA THAT ASSIST A
16 WIDE VARIETY OF VICTIMS THAT COME INTO THE SYSTEM, SEXUAL
17 ASSAULT VICTIMS, VICTIMS OF CHILD MOLESTATION. THERE'S SO MANY
18 WAYS PEOPLE CAN GET HURT BY THE CRIMINAL ELEMENT. THERE'S ALSO
19 MANY, MANY GOOD PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY WHO DO ALL THEY CAN TO
20 HELP THOSE VICTIMS WHO COME IN HARM'S WAY. SO THANK YOU,
21 SUPERVISORS, FOR THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. OH, WE HAVE SOME STAFF
22 HERE, TOO. WOULD ALL THE STAFF FROM OUR VICTIM ASSISTANCE
23 PROGRAM PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED? [APPLAUSE]
24
25 **STEVE COOLEY:** NOW BACK TO WORK AND HELP THOSE VICTIMS, OKAY?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, STEVE, AND THANK YOU TO
3 YOUR STAFF. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE NOW THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4 STARS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL. [APPLAUSE]

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE
7 RECIPIENTS OF THE APRIL 2007 L.A. COUNTY STARS IN THE CATEGORY
8 OF WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE. FIRST, RODNEY J. HOSTON FROM THE
9 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, OMBUDSMAN COMMUNITY LIAISON
10 DIVISION. MR. HOSTON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DAILY OPERATIONS
11 OF THE COMMUNITY-BASED ENTERPRISE EDUCATION PROGRAM, A BOARD-
12 ORDERED COUNTYWIDE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. HE HAS GREATLY
13 INCREASED THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS APPLYING FOR AND COMPLETING
14 THE PROGRAM IN THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AT LAST FISCAL YEAR'S
15 END, OF 320 APPLICANTS TO THE PROGRAM, 225 WERE PLACED,
16 RESULTING IN A 70% PLACEMENT RATIO. HE ALSO ACTS AS THE DIRECT
17 LIAISON BETWEEN COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, 10 UNIVERSITY PARTNERS,
18 AND STUDENTS. INTERNS VOLUNTEER IN A VARIETY OF DEPARTMENTS,
19 INCLUDING ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,
20 HOUSING AUTHORITY AND PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, TO NAME JUST A
21 FEW. MR. HOSTON HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING A CAREER
22 LADDER FOR INTERNS TO GAIN BOTH TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT
23 EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. CONGRATULATIONS TO
24 RODNEY J. HOSTON. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. OUR SECOND RECIPIENT IN
2 WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE IS TINA KATZ. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TINA IS A SENIOR PARALEGAL IN THE
5 PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. SHE HAS TAKEN SOME OF THE TOUGHEST
6 ASSIGNMENTS AND DEMONSTRATES THAT SHE HAS THE LEGAL RESEARCH
7 AND WRITING APTITUDE OF AN ATTORNEY, EXCELLENT COMPUTER SKILLS
8 AND AN OUTSTANDING TEACHING STYLE. HER COLLEAGUES VALUE HER
9 KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERTISE AND ESPECIALLY HER GENUINE ENTHUSIASM.
10 SHE RECENTLY CREATED A MULTIMEDIA PRESENTATION DESIGNED TO
11 COMBAT WORKPLACE BIAS, IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SKILLS AND ALSO
12 TO SATISFY MANDATORY CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
13 FOR ATTORNEYS. THIS PROGRAM RECEIVED THE HIGHEST COMMENDATIONS
14 FROM ALL WHO ATTENDED. MS. KATZ IS A TRAINER, RESEARCHER,
15 WRITER, CONSULTANT, EDITOR AND ALL AROUND TEAM PLAYER. SHE'S A
16 TRUE ASSET TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. CONGRATULATIONS,
17 TINA KATZ. [APPLAUSE]

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OUR NEXT CATEGORY IS
20 ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. WE HAVE TWO RECIPIENTS FOR THIS
21 CATEGORY. FIRST LET ME CALL ON WENDI TOVEY, A MENTAL HEALTH
22 CLINICAL PROGRAM HEAD, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH.
23 EACH YEAR, MS. TOVEY HAS PRODUCED MORE THAN THE PRIOR YEAR.
24 THIS PAST YEAR WAS NO EXCEPTION, AS SHE IMPROVED EACH
25 OPERATION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC THAT SHE HEADS. THIS HAS



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1 RESULTED IN EXCELLENCE IN CLINICAL CARE AND TREATMENT,
2 IMPROVED BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL OFFICE OPERATIONS AND THE
3 ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW, MAINSTREAM RECOVERY PROGRAMS. HER CLINIC
4 REACHED NEW HIGH LEVELS OF CLINICAL STAFF PRODUCTIVITY, MEDI-
5 CAL BILLING, MEDICATION PROGRAM UTILIZATION AND STAFF MORALE,
6 ALL CONTRIBUTING TO REVENUE FOR THE COUNTY. THAT'S IMPORTANT.
7 OVER THE LAST YEAR, THROUGH HER LEADERSHIP IN TEAM BUILDING,
8 SAN FERNANDO MENTAL HEALTH HAD DEVELOPED, IMPROVED AND
9 IMPLEMENTED 11 WELLNESS AND RECOVERY-BASED PROGRAMS. IN
10 ADDITION, 24 RECOVERY-BASED GROUPS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED.
11 ANOTHER ONE OF MS. TOVEY'S TALENTS AND SKILLS IS HER
12 ENTHUSIASM AND HER ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE THIS TO HER STAFF.
13 SHE GETS THEM EXCITED AND EAGER TO STEP INTO NEW DOMAINS AND
14 TO REACH NEW HIGH STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE. SHE EMPOWERS STAFF
15 AND INCLINES TO TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN CENTER OPERATIONS AND
16 TREATS THEM WITH RESPECT AND PERSONAL CONCERN. CONGRATULATIONS
17 TO WENDI TOVEY. [APPLAUSE]

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND, LAST BUT NOT LEAST, PLEASE
20 WELCOME THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICE RECRUITMENT TEAM,
21 RECIPIENTS OF THE L.A. COUNTY STARS IN ORGANIZATIONAL
22 EFFECTIVENESS. [APPLAUSE]

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COME ON UP. THE TEAM, CONSISTING
25 OF STAFF FROM THE RECRUITMENT UNIT, PERSONNEL UNIT AND



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1 BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION UNIT, HAS BEEN ACTIVELY RECRUITING
2 FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS. THIS TEAM ASSESSED THE CRITICAL NEED
3 TO HAVE A DEVELOPED RECRUITMENT PLAN AND CREATED ONE TO ENSURE
4 AN EFFECTIVE AND TIMELY SYSTEM FOR IDENTIFYING, CANVASSING,
5 SELECTING AND EMPLOYING QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS. THIS PROCESS
6 SUCCESSFULLY REDUCED THE POLICE OFFICER VACANCY RATE FROM 25%
7 TO 17% IN ONE YEAR, INCREASING EFFECTIVENESS OF PATROL BY
8 NEARLY 10%. THEY ACCOMPLISHED THIS CELEBRATED GOAL OF VACANCY
9 REDUCTION WITH A NEW TEAM OF INDIVIDUALS WORKING CREATIVELY
10 TOGETHER. THEIR TEAMWORK EXEMPLIFIED THEIR SHARED COMMITMENT
11 TO THE TEAM IN NOT ONLY MEETING BUT EXCEEDING THE GOAL OF
12 HIRING NEW POLICE OFFICERS WHILE MAINTAINING HIGH PROFESSIONAL
13 STANDARDS. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I THINK THAT DOES IT FOR ME,
16 SO I'LL TURN IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR DON KNABE FROM THE GREAT
17 CITY OF CERRITOS.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S RIGHT. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. MR.
20 CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'D LIKE TO ASK KATHLEEN
21 HOSTERT AND CORA JOHNSON TO JOIN ME UP HERE. THIS IS A VERY
22 IMPORTANT MONTH, AND IT'S NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH. ORGAN
23 AND TISSUE DONATION IS A LIFE-GIVING ACT RECOGNIZED WORLDWIDE
24 AS THE GREATEST EXPRESSION OF COMPASSION. MORE THAN 93,000
25 INDIVIDUALS NATIONWIDE AND 19,000 HERE IN CALIFORNIA ARE



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1 CURRENTLY ON THE NATIONAL ORGAN TRANSPLANT WAIT LIST AND,
2 EVERY 90 MINUTES, ONE PERSON DIES WHILE WAITING FOR A DONATED
3 ORGAN. A SINGLE INDIVIDUAL'S DONATION OF THE HEART, LUNGS,
4 LIVER, KIDNEYS, PANCREAS, SMALL INTESTINE CAN SAVE UP TO EIGHT
5 LIVES AND A DONATION OF TISSUE CAN SAVE AND ENHANCE THE LIVES
6 OF UP TO 50 OTHERS. EACH YEAR, 25,000 LIVES ARE SAVED AND THE
7 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR MANY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS MORE IS
8 ENHANCED BY ORGAN AND TISSUE TRANSPLANT. THE SOUTHERN
9 CALIFORNIA DONATE LIFE RUN/WALK SUPPORTS PUBLIC AWARENESS AND
10 ENROLMENT EFFORTS FOR THE DONATE LIFE CALIFORNIA LIFE
11 CAMPAIGN-- EXCUSE ME, CALIFORNIA ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR
12 REGISTRY. THEY HOST A FULL DAY OF COMPETITIVE RUNNING,
13 HONORARY WALKING. I LIKE THAT, HONORARY WALKING. YEAH, I LIKE
14 THAT. FAMILY FESTIVITIES AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, PROVIDE
15 INFORMATION REGARDING DONATE LIFE. THIS YEAR'S EVENT IS
16 SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH AT CAL STATE FULLERTON, SO
17 WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION AND, OF
18 COURSE, WE HAD A VERY HIGH PROFILE SITUATION HERE RECENTLY
19 WITH OUR GOOD FRIEND, PHILIP PALMER, AT CHANNEL 7 WHERE HE
20 DONATED A KIDNEY TO A DEAR FRIEND OF HIS. SO IT HAS AN IMPACT.
21 WE ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU TO PARTICIPATE, THOSE THAT ARE STILL
22 HERE AND THOSE WATCHING ON TELEVISION. IT'S A VERY, VERY
23 IMPORTANT PROGRAM, SO CONGRATULATIONS AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
24 YOU SAY A COUPLE WORDS. WE'LL DO SOME PICTURES.

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1 **SPEAKER:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
2 ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR BRINGING THE MESSAGE OF ORGAN
3 AND TISSUE DONATION TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AS HE SAID,
4 THERE'S OVER 94,000 PEOPLE CURRENTLY AWAITING A LIFE-SAVING
5 TRANSPLANT AND CORA AND MYSELF KNOW FIRSTHAND WHAT IT'S LIKE
6 TO BE A CARETAKER. CORA'S HUSBAND, BOB, RECEIVED A HEART
7 TRANSPLANT AND I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO GIVE MY
8 HUSBAND A KIDNEY AFTER BEING ON DIALYSIS FOR 2-1/2 YEARS. SO
9 WE COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO SIGN ON
10 TO THE DONATE LIFE CALIFORNIA REGISTRY TO BECOME AN ORGAN AND
11 TISSUE DONOR AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. WE'D ALSO LIKE
12 TO PRESENT YOU WITH THESE DONATE LIFE PINS TO ALL THE
13 SUPERVISORS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ALL RIGHT. NEXT, I'D LIKE TO-
16 - WE HAVE OUR 2007 PUBLIC RESPONSE DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR,
17 JACQUELINE STRINGER AND SO WE'RE GOING TO ASK JACQUELINE TO
18 JOIN US HERE, AS WELL AS COMMANDER ROBERT CEDITA AND CAPTAIN
19 RICK ADAMS. IN 1991, THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS PASSED A
20 FORMAL PROCLAMATION CALLED THE NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY
21 TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK TO ANNUALLY HONOR SAFETY DISPATCHERS.
22 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S COMMUNICATION CENTER SELECTED
23 JACQUELINE AS THE 2007 PUBLIC RESPONSE DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR
24 FOR HER DISTINGUISHED DEDICATION AND EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE TO
25 PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHING. JACQUELINE OFTEN AND EFFECTIVELY



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1 HANDLES ROUTINE AND EMERGENCY SITUATIONS, EXHIBITS LEADERSHIP
2 QUALITIES, DEMONSTRATES A VERY STRONG WORK ETHIC AND TAKES
3 PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE JOB. SHE ADHERES
4 TO AND EXEMPLIFIES THE DEPARTMENT'S CORE VALUES AND IS A
5 POSITIVE ROLE MODEL. THE PUBLIC DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR IS
6 ASKED TO REPRESENT THE RADIO ROOM AT FUNCTIONS SUCH AS OPEN
7 HOUSES AT VARIOUS SHERIFF'S STATIONS, JOB FAIRS AND OTHER
8 RELATED EVENTS. SO, JACQUELINE, CONGRATULATIONS. YOU'VE GOT A
9 BIG YEAR AHEAD OF YOU, DON'T YOU? YOU'VE GOT TO GO OUT THERE
10 AND SMILE AND WAVE AND EVERYTHING. LET'S GIVE HER A ROUND OF
11 APPLAUSE. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THOSE ARE MY PRESENTATIONS. THANK
14 YOU.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT CONCLUDES OUR
17 PRESENTATIONS, SO WE'LL GO TO THE AGENDA AND FIRST UP IS MR.
18 ANTONOVICH.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MAKE SOME ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS OF
21 SOME DEAR FRIENDS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY. FIRST IS LUTHER
22 ESKIJIAN FROM ALTADENA. LUTHER WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE
23 COMMUNITY, WAS AN ARCHITECT AND HE DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO HIS
24 CHURCH, HIS SERVICE, COMPASSION, BUSINESS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY.
25 HIS MOST RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENT WAS THE DESIGNING AND



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1 ESTABLISHING OF THE ESKIJIAN MUSEUM IN MISSION HILLS, WHICH IS
2 PART OF THE ARARAT HOME OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO PROMOTE
3 ARMENIAN HERITAGE AND CULTURE IN AMERICA. HE WAS QUITE
4 INVOLVED IN HIS COMMUNITY IN ALTADENA AND A VERY FINE MAN AND
5 WILL BE MISSED. ALSO, ALEXANDER BYRD CHRISTIAN. CHRISTIAN WAS-
6 - WORKED FOR CONTINENTAL CAN COMPANY AND WAS A STOCKBROKER FOR
7 PAYNE WEBBER. HE WAS AFFILIATED WITH THE PASADENA TOURNAMENT
8 OF ROSES AND I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING WITH HIM EVERY
9 ROSE PARADE AS A WHITE SUITOR AND ACTIVE IN THE ROTARY CLUB OF
10 PASADENA. HE PLAYED ON THE 1939 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
11 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S FOOTBALL TEAM AND WAS IN
12 FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOOL FOR THE ARMY AIR CORPS DURING WORLD WAR
13 II. HE PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK ON APRIL 12TH. PAT BUCKLEY, WHO
14 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. SHE WAS THE WIFE OF WILLIAM F.
15 BUCKLEY, A FRIEND AND SUPPORTER OF MINE. SHE WAS A GREAT
16 INSPIRATION TO BILL AND HIS WRITINGS AND HIS TRAVELS AND IN
17 HOSTING THE VARIOUS EVENTS, PHILANTHROPIC EVENTS AND OTHER
18 CULTURAL EVENTS THAT THEY HOSTED AND SHE LEAVES HER SON,
19 CHRISTOPHER, WHO IS AN ACCLAIMED WRITER HIMSELF, AND TWO
20 BELOVED GRANDCHILDREN, CAITLIN AND CONOR. SHERRY NAVID, WHO
21 WAS THE GRANDMOTHER OF MY ASSISTANT PRESS DEPUTY, ALLIE NAVID.
22 DR. SHERRY NAVID WAS A GYNECOLOGIST AND MOTHER OF 7 CHILDREN.
23 SHE'LL BE MS.ED. LA WANA JAYNA CLARY, WHO WAS AN EDUCATOR AT
24 SAUGUS HIGH SCHOOL FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS AND VALENCIA HIGH
25 SCHOOL FOR ANOTHER SEVEN. CAPTAIN WILLIAM F. CLUTTERNAM, LOS



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1 ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE SERVED FOR 30 YEARS AND HE
2 ALSO SERVED AS THE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN. HE SERVED IN WORLD WAR
3 II AS A COMMAND PILOT OF A RESCUE B-17 AND WROTE THE BOOK
4 "GOD, MOMENT BY MOMENT" ABOUT HOW GOD'S PROTECTION CARRIED HIM
5 THROUGH THE HARROWING EXPERIENCES OF THAT WAR. HE WAS MARRIED
6 FOR 61 YEARS TO HIS WIFE, MARY AND THEY LIVED IN THE ANTELOPE
7 VALLEY AND LEONA VALLEY. JOHN "JACK" KESSELRING, A MEMBER OF
8 THE PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS ASSOCIATION AND QUITE ACTIVE IN THE
9 ANTELOPE VALLEY. LELAND NEWCOMER, A LA VERNE WHO IS A FORMER
10 PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE AND HE'S SURVIVED BY
11 HIS WIFE, MAE, AND FOUR CHILDREN. RONALD TARDIFF, CAPTAIN FOR
12 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE RETIRED IN
13 2005 AND HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 4TH. ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND,
14 JACK WILLIAMS, ALONG WITH BEING AN OUTSTANDING HOLLYWOOD STUNT
15 MAN FOR MORE THAN 80 MOTION PICTURES SUCH AS "THE SON OF KATY
16 ELDER", "CHEYENNE", "AUTUMN", "SPARTACUS", HE WAS A DOUBLE FOR
17 ROY ROGERS AND HE ALSO DOUBLED FOR JOHN WAYNE AND CLINT
18 EASTWOOD AND GARY COOPER. JACK WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE SANTA
19 CLARITA VALLEY AND A VERY FINE MAN AND HIS LEADERSHIP WILL BE
20 MS.ED. MAGNA WINKLER, THE MOTHER OF MY COMMISSIONER TO THE
21 NARCOTICS COMMISSION, HOWARD WINKLER WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL
22 26TH.
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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'D LIKE TO BE ADDED TO THAT, TO
25 THE WINKLER.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ROY UYEMATSU, ROY WAS THE FIRST JAPANESE
3 SHARECROPPING FARMER IN CALIFORNIA AND, WHILE IN INTERNMENT
4 CHAMP DURING WORLD WAR II IN JEROME, ARKANSAS, HE ENLISTED IN
5 THE UNITED STATES ARMY, 422ND INFANTRY, WHERE HE WAS STATIONED
6 IN ITALY. IN 1950, HE BECAME SHAREHOLDER OF THE DRISCOLL
7 STRAWBERRIES IN WATSONVILLE AND HE WAS THE UNCLE OF MY FORMER
8 LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT IN SACRAMENTO, JOAN KAWATACHAN.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN AS WELL.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS INTERESTING IS WINTHROP
13 ROCKEFELLER, A FORMER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN ARKANSAS,
14 PROVIDED FREE TRANSPORTATION AND LODGING TO ALL OF THE
15 ATTORNEYS WHO WERE INTERNED IN ARKANSAS, THOSE JAPANESE
16 AMERICANS, FOR THEIR REUNION TWO YEARS AGO. RUBY COX. RUDY
17 COX, A LICENSED CHILDCARE DAYCARE PROVIDER FOR 35 YEARS AND AN
18 ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE LANCASTER CHURCH OF CHRIST AND
19 ASSOCIATED WOMEN OF THE PEPPERDINE. DETECTIVE RUTH FELDMAN,
20 WHO WAS THE FIRST WOMAN TO SERVE ON THE GLENDALE PEACE
21 OFFICERS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ALSO WORKED HER
22 WAY UP FROM POLICEWOMAN TO THE RANK OF DETECTIVE. PAUL HADLEY,
23 92 YEARS OLD, RETIRED PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
24 CALIFORNIA. AND ALSO WAS INVOLVED IN THEIR ADMINISTRATION
25 WHERE HE HAD A PARALLEL CAREER, BOTH IN THE CLASSROOM AND IN



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1 THE ADMINISTRATION. MEMBER OF PHI BETA KAPPA AND THE U.S.C.'S
2 DISTINGUISHED EMERITUS ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT AND HE
3 WAS ELECTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL AUDIT AND CONTINUING
4 EDUCATION HALL OF FAME. HE WAS A QUITE ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
5 GLENDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. ARTIE WASHINGTON, WHO WAS THE
6 MOTHER OF LOIS GASTON, WHO IS THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUARTE,
7 A VERY FINE LADY AND WE SEND OUR SYMPATHIES TO HER. PRIVATE
8 WALTER FREEMAN OF LANCASTER WHO WAS KILLED IN IRAQ ON APRIL
9 4TH. WILLIAM GARGARO, LEAD INVESTIGATOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY'S DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, GRADUATED GEORGETOWN
11 UNIVERSITY AND HE WROTE FOR THE TELEVISION SERIES "LEAVE IT TO
12 BEAVER" DURING SUMMER BREAKS. HE SERVED IN THE U.S. ATTORNEY'S
13 OFFICE FOR THREE YEARS BEFORE HE JOINED THE LOS ANGELES
14 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN 1969. HE WAS ALSO A LAW
15 PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND LOYOLA
16 LAW SCHOOLS. PATRICK WEEKS, RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE RETIRED IN THE YEAR 2000. AND
18 MARILYN WILLIAMS, THE MOTHER OF RHONDA DEVARA OF THE ANTELOPE
19 VALLEY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NUMBER 7 WAS HELD BY THE PUBLIC.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS?



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THANK

3 YOU VERY MUCH. JUST QUICKLY I WAS JUST WONDERING WITH THE PART

4 HERE THAT IT SAYS IF VACANT BUILDINGS AT OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL

5 CENTER AND WITH THE DOWNSIZING NOW OF HARBOR- MARTIN LUTHER

6 KING GENERAL HOSPITAL AND, LAST YEAR, THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN

7 THE L.A. TIMES REGARDING COMBAT TRAINING AT LOS AMIGOS

8 REHABILITATION CENTER, WHERE THE SOLDIERS WERE USING VACANT

9 BUILDINGS TO SIMULATE ENTRY FOR TRAINING WHEN THEY WERE

10 DEPLOYED TO IRAQ. I WAS JUST WONDERING, IS IT POSSIBLE OR HAS

11 IT BEEN LOOKED INTO USING THESE VACANT BUILDINGS TO ALLEVIATE

12 SOME OF THE PROBLEMS REGARDING HOMELESS SHELTERS OR MEDICAL

13 PERSONNEL THAT THERE IS A DEFINITE NEED FOR THEM TO HAVE A

14 PLACE TO GO AND HAVE MEDICAL FACILITIES AVAILABLE TO THEM? I

15 JUST SEE THAT YOU HAVE A DEFINITE NEED AND YOU HAVE FACILITIES

16 THAT ARE GOING ON, BASICALLY, I DON'T WANT TO SAY UNUSED

17 BECAUSE, EVIDENTLY, THEY'RE BEING USED. BUT I JUST DON'T SEE

18 THAT A SEARCH DOG FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL IRON DOG EVENT IS

19 APPROPRIATE WHEN THE USE OF THE BUILDINGS COULD BE BETTER

20 FACILITATED TO HELP THE HOMELESS OR TO HELP THE PEOPLE THAT

21 ARE MEDICALLY INDIGENT OR EVEN BE USED AS HEALTHCARE CENTERS

22 TO ALLEVIATE SOME OF THE BACKLOG THAT ARE NOW OCCURRING AT

23 EMERGENCY ROOMS. I WAS WONDERING IF THERE WAS ANY KIND OF

24 COMMISSION OR STUDY BEING SET UP TO LOOK INTO THAT AS AN

25 APPROPRIATE USE FOR THESE FACILITIES. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NO ONE ELSE WAS TO BE
3 HEARD ON THIS ITEM SO WE HAVE IT BEFORE US. ANTONOVICH MOVES,
4 BURKE SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 26.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 26. YOU HELD IT.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. I WANTED TO AMEND IT TO REQUIRE A
11 REPORT BACK ON DEVELOPING A LOCAL SPENDING PLAN FOR THE
12 \$276,000 RATHER THAN RETURNING ONE-TIME FUNDS TO THE STATE AND
13 DELEGATE ADDITIONAL CONTRACT AMENDMENT AUTHORITY TO CSS
14 WITHOUT FURTHER BOARD ACTION. THIS MONEY GOES BACK TO THE
15 STATE IF WE DON'T USE IT BY JUNE SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING
16 TO DO.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION ON
19 THIS AMENDMENT? WITHOUT OBJECTION, I'LL SECOND THE AMENDMENT.
20 IT IS BEFORE US. IT'S INCLUDED IN THE ITEM. WE HAVE THE ITEM
21 BEFORE US. DO YOU WANT TO MOVE IT?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
2 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 30.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM NUMBER 30. MR. BAXTER?

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8 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,
9 MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND
10 I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS
11 MOTION READS IN PART, I AM QUOTING, "JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH
12 THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER." THIS IS A PUZZLE. THE
13 POLICY OF THE FIRE CHIEF IS EXEMPT FROM REVIEW BY THE CHIEF
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND YET SUBJECT TO A JOINT RECOMMENDATION
15 WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, WHO IS SUBJECT TO
16 REVIEW BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. HENCE, THE JOINT
17 RECOMMENDATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO REVIEW, IT WOULD APPEAR, BY
18 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. I WELCOME JOINT RESPONSIBILITY
19 FOR THE FIRE CHIEF AFTER THE MANNER OF THE EXPERIENCE WITH DR.
20 THOMAS T. NOGUCHI OF THE CORONER'S-- FORMERLY OF THE CORONER'S
21 OFFICE. WITH YOUR PERMISSION, MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD LIKE TO
22 SUBMIT COPIES OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF FIRE
23 COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DATED MAY 13, 1993,
24 AND WHICH MINUTES READ, IN PART, UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT, "MR.
25 WILBUR F. LITTLEFIELD APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD, THE CITY OF



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1 LOS ANGELES FIRE COMMISSION, RELATIVE TO HIS SUPPORT OF MR.
2 PETER BAXTER'S SUGGESTION ON THE USE OF A JET ENGINE FOR FIRE
3 SUPPRESSION. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE
4 THE BOARD, THE PRESIDENT TERTIAN ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING
5 AT 11:55 A.M." MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE BROUGHT TO YOUR KIND
6 ATTENTION THE LETTER WRITTEN BY FORMER SUPERVISOR EDELMAN AND
7 ALSO THE PUBLIC COMMENT MADE BY MR. WILBUR F. LITTLEFIELD, THE
8 PUBLIC DEFENDER, FORMER PUBLIC DEFENDER OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
9 ANGELES. IN BOTH INSTANCES, THEY WERE IN SUPPORT OF MY
10 POSITION IN TERMS OF THE TURBO JET ENGINE, WHICH HAS NOW BEEN
11 MODIFIED BY ME TO MEAN STEAM. AND I JUST WANTED TO BRING TO
12 YOUR ATTENTION THE FACT THAT, MAINLY BECAUSE IT'S JUST ME
13 APPEARING EVERY WEEK, THAT THERE'S SOME VERY HIGH QUALITY
14 PEOPLE WHO ARE BEHIND ME WHO SUPPORT MY PARTICULAR SUGGESTION,
15 OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND I THANK YOU, MR.
16 CHAIRMAN.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER.

19

20 **PETER BAXTER:** OH, AND BY THE WAY, COULD I HAND IN THESE
21 COPIES?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY.

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25 **PETER BAXTER:** THANK YOU, SIR.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WITHOUT-- NOBODY
3 ELSE...

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS ITEM, THE REQUEST...

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED FOR TWO
8 WEEKS.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL
13 BE THE ORDER. THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 29.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK YOU JUST DID THAT.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, THAT WAS 30.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YES. ITEM NUMBER 29. WHICH
22 ITEM DID WE HANDLE BEFORE ITEM 30?

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 26.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, 26. I'M DYSLEXIC. OKAY. DR.
2 CLAVREUL?

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4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
5 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW IT'S KIND OF A AMAZING
6 SITUATION HERE. YOU HAVE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WHICH IS
7 SUPPOSED TO CONSTANTLY REVIEW YOUR BEHAVIOR, ESPECIALLY ABOUT
8 THE BROWN ACT AND, WHEN YOU ARE IN THE MIDST OF AN
9 INVESTIGATION ABOUT YOU VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT, YOU'RE GIVING
10 AN AWARD. I THINK THAT'S KIND OF A-- POOR TIMING. AND I THINK
11 IT WOULD HAVE BEEN BETTER TO WAIT UNTIL THE DECISION HAD BEEN
12 MADE. BUT, OF COURSE, THIS IS BUSINESS AS USUAL HERE. I JUST
13 HOPE THAT MR. COOLEY IS ABOVE BEING SWAYED BY YOU GIVING HIM
14 AN AWARD BECAUSE THAT'S-- YOU DEFINITELY NEED TO BE CITED FOR
15 YOUR BROWN ACT VIOLATION AND YOU NEED TO CORRECT AND CURE,
16 WHICH YOU HAVE NOT DONE YET. YOU MADE A DECISION ABOUT THE
17 METRO PLAN, THE METRO CARE PLAN, IN A NONPUBLISHED, CLOSED
18 SESSION. AND YOU STILL HAVE NOT COME BACK WITH THE-- TO VOTE
19 AGAIN ON THAT ISSUE OR NOT. AND WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, YOU
20 KNOW, FEW WEEKS ON THAT EFFECT. AND I WILL ASK AGAIN TO
21 CORRECT AND CURE. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NOBODY ELSE WISHING TO
24 BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM FROM THE PUBLIC. PUBLIC HEARING IS
25 CLOSED. WE HAVE ITEM 29 BEFORE US.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES. MOLINA SECONDS.
5 WITHOUT OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 48.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 48. MR. SACHS?

10

11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** HONORABLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THANKS
12 YOU AGAIN FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK. VERY QUICKLY, I WAS JUST
13 WONDERING, WILL THESE FUNDS THAT ARE COMING FROM THE FEDERAL
14 GOVERNMENT, WILL THEY BE GOING TOWARDS ANY METRO-- ANY MTA
15 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THAT ARE COMING UP IN THE NEXT YEAR? I
16 HAVE SOME GRAVE DOUBTS REGARDING SOME OF THE BUDGETED ITEMS
17 FROM METRO. AT THE PAST METRO BOARD MEETING HEARING, I RAISED
18 SOME CONCERNS REGARDING SOME OF THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITIES
19 THAT HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED, WHETHER THEY HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED.
20 AND THE FACT THAT IT SEEMS THAT THEY'RE REPETITIVE IN THEIR
21 NATURE, SUCH AS THE PAST DENA GOAL LINE CONSTRUCTION
22 AUTHORITY, THE GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION
23 AUTHORITY AND EVEN THE EAST SIDE, THE GOLD LINE EAST SIDE
24 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, WHICH IS NOT AN AUTHORITY. ACCORDING TO
25 INFORMATION GARNERED AT THE LAST METRO BOARD MEETING, THE



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1 STATE LEGISLATURE AUTHORIZES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THESE
2 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITIES AND MTA FUNDS THEM. AND I WAS JUST
3 CURIOUS TO FIND OUT, SINCE I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET ANY
4 ANSWERS FROM EITHER METRO REGIONAL HEARINGS OR THE BOARD
5 HEARING, WHY OR WHO WOULD FUND PROJECTS THAT JUST SEEM TO BE
6 REPETITIVE IN NATURE. AND I WAS JUST ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT
7 FUNDING AGAIN FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GOING TO WASTE
8 MANAGEMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GLAD I GOT YOUR ATTENTION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH?

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE IT.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION,
19 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 18.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S HELD BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA
24 KNABE. WHO WANTS TO GO FIRST? MS. MOLINA?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS THE ISSUE. AND I DON'T KNOW, DON, YOU
2 WANTED TO ASK QUESTIONS SPECIFIC TO IT. I WANT TO SEE ABOUT
3 GETTING IT CONNECTED WITH THE BUDGET ITEM AND IT HAS TO DEAL
4 WITH THE WHOLE ISSUE BUT YOU MIGHT HAVE SOME ISSUES. I KNOW I
5 HAVE SOME ISSUES WITH REGARD TO THE ASSESSMENTS THEMSELVES. SO
6 DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I MEAN, YEAH, I HAD SOME ISSUES AS IT
9 RELATED TO THE OVERALL, YOU KNOW, THE REPORTS, THE PILOT
10 PROGRAM, A LAKEWOOD OFFICE TO TEST OUT SOME OF THE STREAMLINE
11 WAYS OF DOING THIS WORK AND THAT THE PILOT IS GOING TO BE
12 EXPANDING TO OTHER OFFICES. IS THAT GOING TO REQUIRE
13 ADDITIONAL RESOURCES?

14

15 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** GOOD MORNING. TRISH PLOEHM. NO, THE ANSWER TO
16 YOUR QUESTION IS THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES.
17 THE ENHANCEMENTS THAT WE HAVE PUT IN PLACE OVER THE LAST
18 SEVERAL MONTHS, PARTICULARLY OUR AUTOMATED DATA TRACKING
19 SYSTEM, IS GOING TO ACTUALLY STREAMLINE OUR PROCESSES SO THAT
20 WILL CUT DOWN ON ANY NEED FOR ANYTHING ADDITIONAL.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU KNOW, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, I MEAN, THE BACKLOG
23 IS SORT OF GETTING UNDER CONTROL.

24

25 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** IT CERTAINLY IS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT I'M ALSO AWARE OF THE FACT THAT YOU GET, LIKE,
3 700 ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENTS PER MONTH OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT
4 AND 600 TO DO.

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6 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU KNOW, IT WOULD BE VERY EASY TO RELAPSE INTO
9 THAT OTHER SITUATION WHERE WE WERE. HOW ARE YOU GOING TO BE
10 MONITORING THIS WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT DOESN'T HAPPEN?

11

12 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** WE'VE DONE AN ANALYSIS ON THE EXISTING
13 KINSHIP STAFF THAT WE HAVE ASSIGNED, WHICH IS A TOTAL OF 77.
14 AND WE BELIEVE THAT IS A SUFFICIENT NUMBER, WITH THE AUTOMATED
15 TRACKING SYSTEM AND THE NEW STREAMLINED PROCESSES THAT WE HAVE
16 PUT IN PLACE, TO COVER THAT. THROUGH THIS CLEANUP PROCESS,
17 WHICH WILL OCCUR UP UNTIL JUNE 30TH, WHICH WE FULLY EXPECT TO
18 BE COMPLETELY CLEANED UP BY THEN, WE WILL MONITORING IT ON A
19 WEEKLY BASIS THROUGH OUR EXECUTIVE TEAM, AS WELL AS AUTOMATED
20 TRACKING. AND, FROM THEN ON, IT WILL BE DONE ON A MONTHLY
21 BASIS WITH EXEC AND ONGOING THROUGH OUR KINSHIP DIVISION.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** AS IT RELATES TO THE PERFORMANCE MEASURES YOU HAVE
24 IN PLACE AS WELL, TOO, HOW CLOSE ARE THEY TO THE FEDERAL
25 REQUIREMENTS?



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PATRICIA PLOEHM: ACTUALLY, THEY EXCEED THE FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS. THE STATE REQUIRES THAT A KINSHIP ASSESSMENT BE INITIATED WITHIN 30 DAYS. THE REQUIREMENT THAT WE HAVE SET FOR OUR DEPARTMENT IS THAT EVERYONE WILL BE INITIATED WITHIN SEVEN DAYS. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT FOR COMPLETION OF AN INITIAL ASSESSMENT WITH THE FEDS OR THE STATES. WE HAVE SET A GOAL OF 60 PERCENT BEING COMPLETED BY 30 DAYS, WITH AN ADDITIONAL 35 PERCENT BY 60 DAYS SO IT FAR EXCEEDS WHAT THE FEDERAL AND STATE STANDARDS ARE.

11

SUP. KNABE: HOW ARE YOU? ARE YOU ON SCHEDULE WITH THE PROPERTY ANALYSIS?

14

PATRICIA PLOEHM: WE CERTAINLY ARE. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, THEY ARE WORKING ON IT. THEY ARE WORKING WITH A COMMUNITY-- A GROUP OF COMMUNITY AGENCIES TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN ASSESSMENT OF WHAT AMOUNT OF MONEY THEY COULD DO THIS WORK FOR AND THEY EXPECT TO HAVE THAT ANALYSIS BACK TO YOU BY THE 30TH OF THIS MONTH.

21

SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

23

PATRICIA PLOEHM: YOU'RE WELCOME.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS ON TRYING TO CLEAN UP THIS
2 MESS.

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4 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. MOLINA?

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE QUESTIONS. AND MAYBE YOU NEED TO CLARIFY
9 IT FOR ME. FIRST OF ALL, AND I'M GOING TO PUT THE REST OVER
10 WITH THE BUDGET TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE IN THE
11 SAME SITUATION NEXT YEAR, BUT MOSTLY ON THE ASSESSMENTS. AND
12 CLARIFY FOR ME BECAUSE I WANT TO UNDERSTAND IT. WE DON'T GET
13 REIMBURSED BY THE FEDS ON THESE ASSESSMENTS UNTIL IT'S
14 COMPLETE, IS THAT CORRECT?

15

16 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO THAT'S THE BUDGET ISSUE THAT HAS TO
19 GO ON.

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21 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU INITIATE AN ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE FIRST
24 30 DAYS, CORRECT?

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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THE CHILD PLACED THERE?

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5 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** SOMETIMES THEY ARE.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** WAIT A MINUTE. IS IT YES OR NO?

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9 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THE ANSWER TRULY IS SOMETIMES.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** WE HAVE...

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** WAIT, WAIT, WAIT. SO, I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND.

16 I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT INITIATE MEANS. DOES INITIATE MEAN

17 THAT-- BECAUSE THERE ARE ELEMENTS TO THE ASSESSMENT. THERE'S

18 THE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK.

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20 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** RIGHT.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE SUITABILITY.

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24 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** RIGHT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE INSPECTION OF THE FACILITY. AND WHAT ELSE?

2

3 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** ORIENTATION AND TRAINING OF THE CAREGIVER AND
4 RIGHTS OF THE CHILD.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** ORIENTATION AND TRAINING. SO IF YOU WERE TO PLACE
7 A CHILD THERE, I WOULD ASSUME, AND CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG,
8 THAT AT LEAST THE CRIMINAL CHECK AND THE SUITABILITY HAVE BEEN
9 COMPLETED.

10

11 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT'S CORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THAT CORRECT?

14

15 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT IS CORRECT. AND A PRELIMINARY LOOK AT
16 THE BUILDING AND GROUNDS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO I COULD UNDERSTAND WHERE TRAINING
19 WOULD TAKE LONGER AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TRAINING INVOLVES. IS
20 THAT, LIKE, THE FOSTER CARE PARENT TO GO TO SOME TRAINING
21 SEMINAR OR SOMETHING? IS THAT WHAT IT IS?

22

23 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** NO. IT'S ACTUALLY THE KINSHIP, SOCIAL WORKER
24 ACTUALLY PROVIDES THE TRAINING OF THE CAREGIVER IN THE HOME.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. SO THE SOCIAL WORKER THEMSELVES HAVE TO DO
2 IT. HOW LONG IS THAT? WHAT KIND OF TIMEFRAME DOES THAT
3 INVOLVE?

4

5 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** IT DEPENDS. IT CAN BE DONE IN ONE SESSION. IF
6 THE CAREGIVER NEEDS ANY KIND OF ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, IT MAY
7 BE REFERRALS, IT CAN BE DONE OVER TWO SESSIONS.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO AND, AGAIN, THAT'S THE TRAINING THAT THEY NEED
10 TO DO. SO THOSE THREE THINGS POTENTIALLY COULD BE DONE IN 30
11 DAYS?

12

13 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT'S CORRECT. THEY COULD POTENTIALLY BE
14 DONE IN 30 DAYS.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND HOW MANY CASES DOES A SOCIAL WORKER HAVE? I
17 MEAN, IN A MONTH, HOW MANY DO THEY HAVE TO DO? HOW MANY
18 INSPECTIONS, ASSESSMENTS DO THEY DO?

19

20 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** ON INITIALS, IT'S APPROXIMATELY AN AVERAGE OF
21 15 HOURS FOR AN INITIAL. FOR REASSESSMENT...

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, NO, NO. HOW MANY OF THESE ASSESSMENTS DO THEY
24 DO? THREE A MONTH? 65 A MONTH?

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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** LET'S SEE. IF IT'S 15 HOURS, THAT'S PROBABLY
2 ABOUT TWO DAYS, 20 DAYS, THAT WOULD PROBABLY BE 10 TO 12
3 INITIALS. ON THE REASSESSMENTS, PROBABLY THEY COULD ACCOMPLISH
4 ONE TO TWO IN A DAY. SO APPROXIMATELY 20 TO 30.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THEN THE LAST THING THAT PROBABLY TAKES A LOT
7 OF TIME IS THAT IF THEY DON'T HAVE THE APPROPRIATE FACILITIES.
8 MANY TIMES IT'S THE BATHROOM THAT NEEDS FIXING OR A BEDROOM
9 THAT NEEDS FIXING OR A PLAYGROUND THAT NEEDS TO BE-- OR A
10 BACKYARD THAT NEEDS FENCING. THOSE ARE PROBABLY THE THINGS
11 THAT MIGHT PHYSICALLY TAKE LONGER BECAUSE IT'S IN THE
12 CAREGIVER'S HANDS TO GET IT DONE AND THEY ARE NOT GOING TO GET
13 PAID, RIGHT?

14

15 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT'S CORRECT.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WE ARE NOT GOING TO GET PAID UNTIL THAT
18 HAPPENS.

19

20 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THEY ARE NOT GOING TO GET PAID WITH OUR
21 FUNDS. THEY CAN APPLY FOR AID AS A NON-NEEDY CAREGIVER THROUGH
22 OUR TANIF CALWORKS PROGRAM. THEY JUST DON'T GET PAID WITH OUR
23 MONEY, OUR GRI MONEY, NOR DO WE CLAIM FEDERAL FUNDING.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN WE DON'T GET PAID, EITHER.



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2 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO I KNOW THAT YOU'RE MOVING FORWARD
5 ON THIS, AND I'M REALLY-- I'M STARTLED THAT-- HOW FAR BEHIND
6 WE'VE BEEN AND I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU'RE DOING IN
7 MOVING THIS FORWARD AND THE BACKLOG THAT HAS TO BE DONE BUT IT
8 JUST SEEMS TO BE A MANAGEMENT ISSUE. FIRST OF ALL, IF THE
9 FIRST THREE THINGS COULD BE DONE PRETTY QUICKLY, I MEAN, LET'S
10 SAY YOU CAN'T DO IT IN THE FIRST VISIT, BUT IF YOU CAN DO IT--
11 IT JUST SEEMS AS THOUGH WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO CLEAR MUCH MORE
12 OF THEM THAN THEY DO NOW.

13

14 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** AND I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE. AND
15 THAT'S EXACTLY WHY I'M SAYING THAT THE STAFFING, THE CURRENT
16 EXISTING STAFFING WE HAVE IN KINSHIP IS INDEED, ONCE THE
17 CLEANUP IS DONE, SUFFICIENT TO DO THIS JOB FOR THE REASONS
18 THAT YOU JUST CITED. I THINK ONE OF THE BIGGEST REASONS THAT
19 WE DEVELOPED THE BACKLOG THAT WE HAD OVER THE LAST SEVERAL
20 YEARS WAS THE FACT THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE THE AUTOMATED TRACKING
21 SYSTEM AND PEOPLE WERE TRYING TO DO...

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, YOU STILL WON'T HAVE AN AUTOMATIC TRACKING
24 SYSTEM UNTIL THE END OF THIS YEAR.

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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** NO, ACTUALLY THAT'S THE SECOND PHASE. WE DO
2 NOW, AS OF THREE WEEKS AGO, WE HAVE AN AUTOMATIC TRACKING
3 SYSTEM THAT IS UP-TO-DATE. IT IS DOWNLOADED AT MIDNIGHT EVERY
4 NIGHT. SO, THE FOLLOWING DAY, WE KNOW EXACTLY WHAT KINSHIP
5 ASSESSMENTS ARE REQUIRED, WHICH ONES ARE DONE. WHAT WILL COME
6 IN SEPTEMBER IS GOING TO BE THE ADDITION OF A TICKLER SYSTEM
7 THAT WILL ALERT US IN ADVANCE.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** TRISH, I KNOW THAT COMPUTER SYSTEMS ARE ALWAYS
10 MAKING THINGS WONDERFUL BUT IF-- SO HOW MANY SUPERVISORS
11 SUPERVISE SO MANY OF THESE SOCIAL WORKERS THAT DO THESE
12 ASSESSMENTS?

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14 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** I BELIEVE THERE ARE 12.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** 12. NO, NO. I MEAN HOW MANY-- SO EVERY SUPERVISOR
17 HAS 12 SOCIAL WORKERS THEY SUPERVISE?

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19 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** NO. ABOUT 12 SUPERVISORS OVER 77 WORKERS.
20 THEY HAVE ABOUT SIX SOCIAL WORKERS EACH.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY ONLY HAVE SIX SOCIAL WORKERS THEY SUPERVISE?

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24 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU KNOW HOW HARD IT IS TO UNDERSTAND THAT? I
2 MEAN, IT'S VERY SIMPLE. IT'S LIKE A CHECK SYSTEM. DID YOU GO
3 OVER THERE?

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5 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** YES.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** "DID YOU DO THE CRIMINAL CHECK? YES/NO, I'M DOING
8 IT, I'M PLANNING ON IT. HAVE YOU DONE THE TRAINING? NOT YET. I
9 WILL. HERE'S THE DATE." SIX? I MEAN IT WOULD SEEM A REPORTING
10 SYSTEM WOULD WORK. I MEAN, BECAUSE-- WHAT I'M WORRIED ABOUT IS
11 THAT, IF SUPERVISORS ARE NOT TRAINED TO MANAGE THESE PEOPLE, I
12 MEAN JUST BECAUSE I HAVE A COMPUTER SYSTEM, THAT DOESN'T
13 NECESSARILY MEAN THAT THEY KNOW HOW TO DO THAT.

14

15 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE SUPERVISION OF THESE
18 FOLKS.

19

20 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** WELL, I WILL CERTAINLY MONITOR IT CLOSELY. I
21 BELIEVE THAT THAT IS AN APPROPRIATE ALLOCATION TO THESE-- THEY
22 NEED TO BE ON TOP OF THESE SOCIAL WORKERS AND ON TOP OF EVERY
23 ONE OF THESE BASICALLY THOUSANDS OF ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE
24 PROCESSED EVERY SINGLE MONTH SO I WILL CERTAINLY WATCH IT.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND WHEN YOU SAY THOUSANDS BUT IF I'M
2 ONLY IN CHARGE OF SIX SUPERVISORS WHO ARE DOING APPROXIMATELY,
3 WHAT, 10 OR 20 A MONTH, RIGHT?

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5 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** PROBABLY 20 TO 40, CORRECT.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S NOT A LOT OF WORK TO MANAGE IT, EVEN IF IT
8 WERE A PAPER PROCESS. BUT IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO MANAGE IT,
9 IT WILL BE A LOT OF WORK BECAUSE YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO DO IT.

10
11 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THAT WOULD CERTAINLY BE TRUE.

12
13 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO EVEN IF YOU HAVE A COMPUTER SYSTEM, IF YOUR
14 MANAGERS DON'T KNOW HOW TO MANAGE THAT-- AND I'M REALLY
15 CONCERNED WITH HOW THEY GET TRAINED TO DO THAT BECAUSE I'M
16 VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THIS. I'M CONCERNED THAT WE'RE NOT
17 GETTING FEDERAL MONEY FOR THIS SO WE'RE JUST SITTING AROUND
18 WAITING TO GET IT DONE WHENEVER IT GETS DONE. WE MAY BE
19 PUTTING CHILDREN IN PLACES WHERE, YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT-- THE
20 REASON THAT THE FEDS DON'T PAY US IS BECAUSE IT'S NOT A SAFE
21 ENVIRONMENT FOR A CHILD ACCORDING TO THEIR STANDARDS.

22
23 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THESE ARE CONCERNS AND I REALLY WOULD LIKE A
2 CLEARLY DEFINED INVOLVEMENT FROM YOU AS TO HOW YOU'RE GOING TO
3 MANAGE THESE SUPERVISORS. IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO SAY THERE ARE
4 THOUSANDS EVERY DAY AND THERE ARE 700 EVERY MONTH ARE ADDED ON
5 THERE. IT SEEMS TO BE A MANAGEMENT FLOW PROCESS BECAUSE, IF WE
6 NEED TO PUT MORE SOCIAL WORKERS TO DO THAT WORK, IT JUST WOULD
7 MAKE SENSE. WE'RE GETTING MONEY. WE GET PAID FROM THE FEDERAL
8 GOVERNMENT TO DO THIS.

9

10 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT'S NOT LIKE, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T HAVE THE
13 MONEY TO DO IT. IT JUST MAKES SENSE. THIS IS-- IT BRINGS IN
14 REVENUE THAT IT PAYS FOR ITSELF. SO I KNOW WE'RE TRACKING A
15 LOT OF THINGS WITH YOU BUT ONE OF THE THINGS IS THAT THIS ONE,
16 ONCE YOU BREAK IT DOWN FOR ME, IT SEEMS FAIRLY SIMPLE, WHICH
17 IS INAPPROPRIATE FOR ME TO SAY BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S NOT. I KNOW
18 IT'S NOT A SIMPLE. BUT I DO NEED YOU TO ASSURE ME THAT SOME OF
19 THESE THINGS ARE TAKEN CARE OF BECAUSE I DON'T TRUST THAT JUST
20 BECAUSE THERE'S A COMPUTER SYSTEM, MAGIC OCCURS. I MEAN, IT'S
21 ONLY AS GOOD AS THE PEOPLE THAT KNOW HOW TO USE IT, HOW TO
22 INPUT INTO IT, PEOPLE THAT KNOW HOW TO ANALYZE THE DATA THAT'S
23 IN THERE AND HOW TO USE IT AS A TOOL TO MANAGE. SO MY ISSUE
24 WITH YOU IS THAT I NEED YOU TO BE ON TOP OF THAT SO THAT I CAN
25 ASK YOU THESE QUESTIONS THREE TO FOUR MONTHS FROM NOW AND



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1 WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO SEE THAT THIS SYSTEM IS DRAMATICALLY
2 CHANGING BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE ABOVE THE STATE STANDARD,
3 WHICH YOU WILL BE UNDER THESE 30 DAYS...

4

5 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T THINK THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR US. IT JUST
8 SHOULD BE-- YOU KNOW, I COULD UNDERSTAND WHERE WE'VE DONE THE
9 CRIMINAL CHECK AND WE'VE DONE THIS BUT THE PARENT HAS NOT
10 GATED THE BACKYARD OR THE PARENT HASN'T FIXED THE BATHROOM OR
11 THE CAREGIVER HAS NOT DONE THESE THINGS. THOSE ARE
12 LEGITIMATELY-- IT COULD TAKE 30 DAYS, 60 DAYS OR 120 DAYS.

13

14 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT IT'S HARD FOR ME TO
17 UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE NOT DOING THE CRIMINAL CHECK, WE'RE NOT
18 DOING THE TRAINING, AND WE AREN'T OUT THERE DOING THE-- WHAT'S
19 THE LAST ONE? THERE ARE FOUR OF THEM.

20

21 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THE CHILD'S RIGHTS. THERE'S FIVE OF THEM. THE
22 OTHER ONE IS THE CHILD'S RIGHTS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S RIGHT. THEY NEED TO KNOW WHAT THE RIGHTS
25 ARE OF THAT CHILD.



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2 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CORRECT.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT ALL OF THESE, I MEAN, THEY SHOULD BE AN EASY
5 CHECK OFF SYSTEM. NOW, GRANTED, IT MAY BE COMPLICATED. SOME
6 PEOPLE MAY NEED MORE TRAINING THAN OTHERS AND I UNDERSTAND
7 THAT BUT RIGHT NOW WE CAN'T GET A SNAPSHOT OF THAT AND THAT'S
8 TROUBLESOME AND I THINK THAT WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT ARE
9 THE MAJOR CHALLENGES THAT ARE THERE. AND, RIGHT NOW, IT ISN'T-
10 - IT DOESN'T SEEM TO ME THAT IT'S JUST A COMPUTER SYSTEM. IT
11 SEEMS TO BE A MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND IF IT'S AN OVERLOAD OF
12 CASES, I MEAN BECAUSE THEY ARE MORE WORK. I MEAN, IT ISN'T
13 ENOUGH TO TRAIN A PERSON ONE DAY YOU GOT TO GO SIX TIMES TO
14 GET HER TO REALLY UNDERSTAND OR GET HIM TO REALLY UNDERSTAND
15 THE ISSUES OF RESPONSIBILITY AND SO ON. I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT
16 WHEN WE CAN'T SEE IT, IT'S HARD TO FOLLOW. SO-- AND THE REASON
17 I'M PUTTING IT UNDER THE BUDGET, AS YOU KNOW, BECAUSE I DON'T
18 WANT IT TO GET AS FAR BEHIND AGAIN AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE
19 THAT, FINANCIALLY, WE'RE SUPPORTING THIS PART OF IT BECAUSE,
20 IF NOT, WE NEED TO REINFORCE IT. THERE'S NO REASON THAT WE
21 SHOULDN'T BE GETTING THE MONEY FROM THE FEDS TO SUPPORT THIS
22 PROGRAM.

23

24 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** ABSOLUTELY.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO I HOPE I CAN COUNT ON THAT BECAUSE
2 I THINK THAT'S ESSENTIAL.

3

4 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** CERTAINLY CAN. NO PROBLEM.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **PATRICIA PLOEHM:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE THE ITEM.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANTONOVICH MOVES. MOLINA SECONDS.
13 THIS IS ITEM 18. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 3.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I HELD THIS. CAN I HAVE A
18 COPY OF IT? I DON'T WANT TO HOLD IT UP BUT I WAS CONCERNED
19 WHEN I READ THE MOTION THAT IT WAS VERY BROAD AND VERY
20 AMBIGUOUS. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO JUST ASK IS, THROUGH AN
21 AMENDMENT, IS THAT, BEFORE THE WORK, IF THERE'S GOING TO BE A
22 CONTRACT WITH THE CASEY FAMILY FOUNDATION, I DON'T KNOW IF
23 THERE IS GOING TO BE A CONTRACT OR BEFORE THE WORK COMMENCES,
24 THAT THEY COME BACK WITH A SCOPE OF WORK SO THAT WE KNOW
25 EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE DOING. AND I WOULD ASSUME THEY WOULD BE



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1 DOING THAT, ANYWAY, BUT-- SO THAT COULD MAYBE BE IN TWO WEEKS
2 OR WHEN WE GET IT BACK.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I'LL SECOND THAT.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO I WOULD-- I'VE CIRCULATED A
7 MOTION. THAT'S ALL IT SAYS. I MOVE THAT THE CAO BE DIRECTED TO
8 PLACE A REPORT ON THE BOARD'S AGENDA PROPOSING A SCOPE OF WORK
9 FOR THIS PROJECT BEFORE ANY CONTRACT WITH DR. SANDERS AND/OR
10 THE CASEY FAMILY PROGRAM IS SIGNED AND BEFORE ANY OF THE WORK
11 ENVISIONED BY THIS MOTION HAS BEGUN. AND...

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I, MAY I JUST SAY A QUICK?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** THIS IS FREE, RIGHT?

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, I UNDERSTAND IT'S FREE BUT
20 IT'S ALSO BROAD AND I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY THAT THE-- YOU KNOW, BEFORE
23 DR. SANDERS HAD LEFT, HE INDICATED ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT
24 NEEDED CORRECTION IS THE FACT THAT THE COUNTY WAS NOT DOING AN
25 EFFICIENT JOB AT BENDING THE INDEPENDENT, MULTIMILLION DOLLAR



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1 FUNDING STREAMS AND INITIATIVES DEALING WITH CHILDREN AND
2 FAMILIES. AND, AS A RESULT, MANY OF THE CHILDREN AND GROUPS,
3 ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE COUNTY WERE DUPLICATING
4 THEIR EFFORTS AND-- BECAUSE THEY DID NOT COLLABORATE, WHICH
5 WOULD REALLY, REALLY CONFUSE THE CONSUMER. HOMELESSNESS AND
6 THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION, GANG VIOLENCE PREVENTION COULD BE
7 EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY ADDRESSED IF A COUNTY HEALTH AND
8 HUMAN SERVICE ENTITY ESTABLISHED A COLLABORATIVE SYSTEM WITHIN
9 OUR COUNTY AND BLENDED FUNDING CREATIVITY TO PREVENT SERVICE
10 DUPLICATION AND FRAGMENTATION. AND, AGAIN, AS DR. SANDERS
11 POINTED OUT AS-- PRIOR TO BEING MADE DIRECTOR AND AFTER BEING
12 MADE DIRECTOR AND WHEN HE LEFT, THAT THIS WAS AN AREA THAT HE
13 WAS CONCERNED ABOUT AND WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP TO
14 RESOLVE. AND NOW, BEING THE HEAD OF THE CASEY FOUNDATION, HE
15 HAS THAT OPPORTUNITY. THEY ALSO HAVE A STAKE IN THAT L.A.
16 COUNTY'S OUTCOME WILL IMPACT CASEY'S GOAL OF REDUCING THE
17 NATIONAL FOSTER CARE NUMBERS BY 50% BY THE YEAR 2020. AND,
18 AGAIN, AS SUPERVISOR BURKE POINTED OUT, THESE SERVICES ARE
19 FREE. THIS IS A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LARGEST FOUNDATION
20 DEALING WITH CHILDREN ISSUES AND THE SCOPE OF THE WORK IS
21 EXACTLY THOSE PROBLEMS THAT DR. SANDERS IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE
22 COUNTY BEFORE HE LEFT. AND, HAVING BEEN AN INSIDER, HE'S
23 UNIQUELY QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE THE CONSULTATION AND RESOURCES
24 TO THE COUNTY. AND HE'S ALREADY DOING THIS WITH OUR, YOU KNOW,
25 TITLE IV WAIVER AND THE PREVENTION PROGRAM. SO THIS IS THE



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1 FIRST BIG OPPORTUNITY THAT WE CAN PARTNER WITH CASEY AND IT'S
2 A FREE COST BUT IT'S GOING TO HAVE MANY LARGE DIVIDENDS IN
3 THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO COLLABORATE AND WORK TOGETHER IN A
4 UNIFIED EFFORT SO ALL OF THESE AGENCIES, PUBLIC/PRIVATE, ARE
5 ABLE TO WORK TOGETHER WITH THIS REVENUE STREAM IN DEALING WITH
6 THIS ISSUE AND THAT'S HELPING THESE CHILDREN FIND LOVING,
7 PERMANENT HOMES AND RECEIVING THE RESOURCES NECESSARY TO
8 BECOME A PRODUCTIVE MEMBER OF SOCIETY WHEN THEY ARE
9 EMANCIPATED AND GO INTO THE ADULT WORLD. I MEAN, THAT'S WHAT
10 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. DO YOU HAVE AN OBJECTION TO
13 US SEEING WHAT THE SCOPE OF WORK IS?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, I DO BECAUSE...

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THEN FINE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...HE-- YOU KNOW, I MEAN, HE WAS THE DIRECTOR
20 AND SO...

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, BUT HE'S NOT ANY MORE AND
23 WE'RE ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT TRANSPIRES.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, BUT I WOULD TRUST HIS JUDGMENT AT THIS
2 TIME AND, WHEN IT COMES BEFORE US, IF WE DIDN'T LIKE IT, WE
3 CAN CHANGE IT. I MEAN, WE HAVE NEVER BEEN ONE TO NOT CHANGE
4 SOMETHING. I MEAN, EVERYBODY GAVE HIM A GREAT FAREWELL AND
5 TOLD HIM HOW HIS LEADERSHIP THERE FROM HIS EXPERIENCE HERE
6 WOULD BE ABLE TO BENEFIT OUR COUNTY AS HE WOULD BE ABLE TO
7 BENEFIT OTHER MUNICIPALITIES IN THIS NATION WHO ARE INVOLVED
8 WITH CHILDREN'S SERVICES. AND THIS IS THAT FIRST OPPORTUNITY
9 WHERE WE CAN PARTNER.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I SIMPLY DON'T KNOW WHAT
12 HE'S GOING TO BE DOING AND I THINK, FREE OR NOT FREE, I THINK
13 WE'RE ENTITLED TO KNOW WHAT IT IS HE'S GOING TO BE DOING. I
14 DON'T KNOW WHETHER HE'S TALKING ABOUT ELIMINATING DUPLICATION
15 OR WHETHER YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ELIMINATING DUPLICATION OR
16 WHETHER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SETTING UP A NEW SUPER AGENCY
17 WITHIN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT THAT INCLUDES CHILDREN AND FAMILY
18 SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH, DPSS, ALL OF WHICH I'VE HEARD BANDIED
19 ABOUT HERE-- NOT HERE BUT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS MOTION. SO
20 ALL I WANT TO KNOW, AND I THINK WE ALL SHOULD KNOW, AND WE
21 COULD GET THIS BY THE TIME WE GET BACK FROM WASHINGTON, I
22 WOULD THINK, FROM DR. SANDERS. WHAT IS THE SCOPE OF WORK? WHAT
23 IS THE OBJECTIVE? I MEAN, IT DOESN'T HOLD IT UP. I WOULD
24 EXPECT THAT HE WOULD HAVE A SCOPE IF WORK IN HIS MIND IF HE
25 DOESN'T HAVE IT ON PAPER ALREADY. SO I WOULD MOVE THE



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1 AMENDMENT TO YOUR MOTION AND THEN I WOULD SUPPORT YOUR MOTION
2 WITH THAT AMENDMENT. I'M NOT ASKING IT TO BE CONTINUED. I JUST
3 WANT TO KNOW WHAT WE'RE GETTING INTO. MS. MOLINA?

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** I STILL THINK WE SHOULD SAY HALLELUJAH, WE'RE
6 LUCKY TO GET THE ASSISTANCE OF DR. SANDERS. THE BLENDING OF
7 THESE SERVICES IS ONE OF THE MOST ESSENTIAL THINGS THAT WE
8 SHOULD BE DOING. IT IS SOMETHING I HAVE STRUGGLED WITH EVER
9 SINCE I ARRIVED AT THE BOARD. IT IS INTERESTING THAT I SERVED
10 ON A PANEL ON THE ISSUE OF POVERTY IN CALIFORNIA WHEN I WAS IN
11 THE LEGISLATURE AND ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS WITH PEOPLE
12 WHO HAD TO ACCESS GOVERNMENT SERVICES IS THEIR INABILITY TO
13 NEGOTIATE THROUGH THE SYSTEM. AND, CONSEQUENTLY, WE WERE-- WE
14 SET UP OUR SYSTEMS TO MEET OUR NEEDS. WE CREATE DEPARTMENTS,
15 WE CREATE PROTOCOLS, WE CREATE PROCESSES SO THAT A PARENT WITH
16 A CHILD IN NEED HAS TO GO TO THE MENTAL HEALTH OFFICE, SHE HAS
17 TO GO TO THE PUBLIC AGENCY THAT DOES DPSS, SHE HAS CHILDREN
18 SERVICES, SHE HAS TO GO-- INSTEAD OF OPERATING THE OTHER WAY
19 AROUND, THE NUCLEAR PART AND SAYING: THIS CHILD NEEDS THE
20 WHOLE SERIES OF SERVICES. AND EVERY TIME I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED
21 IN TRYING TO BLEND SERVICES, AND BELIEVE ME, I'VE TRIED. RITA
22 CROWELL AND I TRIED UNDER MENTAL HEALTH BUT, I MEAN, AND SHE
23 WAS SOMEONE WHO WANTED TO DO THAT. BUT IT WAS ONE OF THE
24 TOUGHEST JOBS. EVERY DEPARTMENT HEAD BECOMES VERY TERRITORIAL
25 AND IT IS PART OF THE WAY FUNDING COMES DOWN. IT IS



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1 UNFORTUNATE. THEY ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR FUNDING AND
2 SO, CONSEQUENTLY, THEY HAVE A TENDENCY TO BE VERY TERRITORIAL
3 ABOUT WHAT MONEY IS USED, HOW IT'S USED, ALWAYS CLAIMING
4 THAT'S NOT MY JOB, THAT'S THEIR JOB AND SO ON. SO I THINK WE
5 SHOULD WELCOME IT. I HAPPEN TO ENJOY-- I THINK ALL OF ENJOYED
6 THE LEADERSHIP OF DR. SANDERS AND WE'RE VERY DISCOURAGED WHEN
7 HE LEFT. I THINK HE CAN OFFER US A LOT IN THIS AREA. I DON'T
8 KNOW WHY I NEED TO HAVE A SCOPE OF WORK. I MEAN, IT'S VERY
9 CLEAR. IF HE CAN ACHIEVE JUST A PORTION OF BLENDING OF THESE
10 SERVICES, IT WOULD BE A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS MODEL FOR US. BUT I
11 THINK THAT THAT IS ONE OF THE MISTAKES WE'VE CONTINUOUSLY MADE
12 AND IT ISN'T BECAUSE WE MAKE IT. IT'S BECAUSE-- HOW THE FEDS
13 FUND US, HOW THE STATE FUNDS US, THE FORCES US TO GO INTO
14 THESE LITTLE CATEGORIES THAT FORCES US TO CREATE THESE PROCESS
15 THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, WORK AGAINST THE PEOPLE IN NEED OF THESE
16 SERVICES AND WE FOUND THAT OUT CLEARLY IN THOSE HEARINGS THAT
17 WE DID. PEOPLE DID NOT KNOW HOW TO NAVIGATE THROUGH THESE
18 SYSTEMS SO THAT, CONSEQUENTLY, THESE CHILDREN, MANY OF THESE
19 FAMILIES WERE NOT RECEIVING THOSE SERVICES. SO I THINK THAT
20 JUST BY THAT APPROACH IN ITSELF SPEAKS VOLUMES ABOUT WHAT WE
21 CAN DO. SO I WELCOME WHATEVER ADVICE, HOWEVER HE WISHES TO DO
22 IT. AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE DON'T DO ANYTHING UNLESS WE
23 AGREE. BUT, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, I THINK IT IS A WELCOMED
24 APPROACH AND CERTAINLY WE WERE ALWAYS LOOKING FORWARD, WE
25 INVITED HIM BACK AND THE FACT THAT WE MAY EVEN HAVE SOME



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1 FOUNDATION MONEY THAT MAY COME WITH IT I THINK IS A REAL
2 BLESSING FOR ALL OF US. SO I THINK THAT, AGAIN, THIS IS NOT AN
3 UNKNOWN. THIS IS CLEARLY IS A KNOWN COMMODITY, AN ADMIRABLE
4 GOAL, AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, YOU KNOW, THERE'S JUST NOTHING
5 THAT SHOULD STAND IN OUR WAY TO SAY HALLELUJAH, WE WELCOME
6 THIS OPPORTUNITY AND WE SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS TRISH PLOEHN HERE? COULD WE GET
9 HER UP HERE?

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** WHILE SHE'S COMING UP, MAY I JUST MAKE A
12 SUGGESTION? SOMETIMES WHEN PEOPLE OFFER TO DO SOMETHING AND TO
13 PROVIDE IT AT NO COST, THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO INSULT THEM IN A
14 WAY. I MEAN, PEOPLE COME UP AND, USUALLY, THEY WANT TO GIVE US
15 A BIG PRICE TAG TO DO ANYTHING AND THEN WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT
16 THEY'RE DOING FOR THE PRICE TAG. HERE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
17 SERVICES. AND WOULDN'T IT MAKE MORE-- BE A LITTLE BIT MORE
18 APPROPRIATE TO SAY THAT HE WOULD ADVISE US AS-- THAT WE WOULD
19 KNOW ABOUT-- OR THE PROGRESS OR ANY PROPOSALS THAT ARE COMING
20 FORWARD, THAT THEY WOULD COME TO THE BOARD SO THAT WE COULD
21 REVIEW THEM? I MEAN TO SAY, I'M NOT GOING TO ACCEPT YOUR MONEY
22 UNTIL YOU TELL ME EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO. HE CAN'T DO
23 ANYTHING WITHOUT ULTIMATELY US VOTING ON IT. BUT IF WE COULD
24 SAY THAT HE WOULD GIVE-- THAT THEY WOULD PROVIDE REGULAR
25 REPORTS TO US OF THE PROGRESS AND ANY PROPOSALS, I THINK IT



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1 WOULD BE A LITTLE BIT MORE APPROPRIATE BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I
2 THINK THAT WE NEED PEOPLE TO ASSIST US AND PROVIDE US
3 FOUNDATION MONEY ANY TIME WE CAN GET IT. AND THAT, RATHER THAN
4 DISCOURAGING THEM, IF WE COULD SAY IT IN SOME WAY-- MR.
5 YAROSLAVSKY, WOULD YOU AGREE TO SAY THAT, AS ANY PROPOSALS
6 COME FORWARD, THAT THEY WOULD HAVE TO COME TO THE BOARD AND
7 MAKE A REPORT TO US AS HE PROGRESSES IN TERMS OF ANY
8 PROPOSALS?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S WHAT THE MOTION STATES. IT SAYS TO
11 REPORT BACK IN 90 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, MAYBE HE'D WANT IT IMMEDIATELY. THAT, AS
14 THEY START, THAT IT WOULD BE WITHIN THE NEXT THREE WEEKS OR 30
15 DAYS THAT THEY WOULD COME FORWARD AND LET US KNOW OF SOME OF
16 THOSE THINGS THAT THEY WISH...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ASK MS. PLOEHN. ARE YOU
19 FAMILIAR WITH THIS?

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21 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES, A LITTLE BIT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** A LITTLE BIT? HAVE YOU TALKED TO
24 DR. SANDERS ABOUT IT?

25



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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** NO, I HAVE NOT.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO HAVE YOU TALKED TO ABOUT IT?
4 WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT IT?

5

6 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** BASICALLY, WHAT IS IN THE MOTION, THAT WE
7 COULD BRING DR. SANDERS BACK AND THAT HE COULD HELP, AS HE'S
8 DOING WITH OUR DEPARTMENT. HE'S ALREADY STARTED TO WORK WITH
9 OUR DEPARTMENT AROUND THE WAIVER PROCESS, AROUND PREVENTION...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW.

12

13 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** ...BRINGING CONSULTANTS IN, THAT KIND OF
14 STUFF AND THAT...

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE END PRODUCT
17 OF THIS PROCESS? WHAT DO YOU SEE BEING THE END PRODUCT?

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19 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** WHAT I WOULD SEE IS THAT, AT THIS POINT IN
20 TIME, THERE ARE EIGHT HUMAN SERVICES AGENCIES WITHIN OUR
21 COUNTY. AND I THINK THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF EFFORTS,
22 THROUGH NEW DIRECTIONS, IOG, SIB, TO BRING US TOGETHER AROUND
23 ISSUES. BUT WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO SEE IS MORE
24 INTEGRATION AND MORE THREADING OF THESE EIGHT AGENCIES
25 TOGETHER SO THAT WE HAVE A MORE STREAMLINED PROCESS TO OFFER



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1 SERVICES TO OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ACROSS THIS COUNTY,
2 REGARDLESS OF WHAT THEIR ISSUE IS. IF IT'S NOT CHILD ABUSE AND
3 NEGLECT...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T THINK ANYBODY DISAGREES
6 WITH THAT. I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE MECHANISM IS
7 BY WHICH TO DO THAT. DO YOU SEE THAT THE DIFFERENT AGENCIES
8 WOULD-- ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT AGENCIES WOULD MERGE TOGETHER
9 IN SOME FASHION? IS THAT HOW YOU ENVISION THIS?

10

11 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** NO, I DON'T SEE IT THAT WAY. I MEAN, I THINK
12 THAT WE'RE ALL SO BIG TO TRY TO PUT US INTO ONE ENTITY WOULD
13 BE PRETTY DIFFICULT. WHAT I SEE IS THAT HE AND CASEY COULD
14 HELP FACILITATE COMMUNICATION, COULD HELP COME UP WITH NEW
15 IDEAS, DO RESEARCH ON BEST PRACTICES SO THAT BEE COULD BRING
16 THAT INTO LOS ANGELES AND IMPLEMENT SOME OF THOSE THINGS.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. JANSSEN?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S HARD TO KNOW EVEN WHERE TO BEGIN ON THIS
21 SUBJECT. I HAVE A CHART IN MY BUDGET PRESENTATION THAT
22 ILLUSTRATES DRAMATICALLY THE CHALLENGE THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA
23 RELATED TO WITH RESPECT TO FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS THAT WE
24 IMPLEMENT. THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL, YES, THAT'S IT,
25 THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING COUNCIL, FIVE OUTCOMES THAT THE BOARD



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1 DEVELOPED IN 1993, THOSE LINES ON THAT CHART ALL REFLECT
2 FEDERAL AND STATE LAW, FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS, FEDERAL
3 AND STATE ORDINANCES, FEDERAL AND STATE RULES, FEDERAL AND
4 STATE REGULATIONS, FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING OBLIGATIONS. THIS
5 IS NOT, BY ITSELF OR EVEN PRIMARILY, A BUREAUCRACY PROBLEM.
6 THIS IS A POLITICAL ISSUE IN WASHINGTON, IN SACRAMENTO AND IT
7 REPRESENTS THE WAY THAT OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM MAKES DECISIONS,
8 WHICH IS INCREMENTALLY. WE HAVE YEAR AFTER YEAR AFTER YEAR OF
9 NEW LAWS THAT ARE PUT ON THE BOOKS THAT REFLECT A PARTICULAR
10 INTEREST SOMEWHERE IN THE NATION ABOUT HOW TO DO SOMETHING AND
11 THEY PASS THE LAW. THEY DON'T TAKE AWAY A LAW. THEY ADD TO IT.
12 AND SO WE DOWN HERE WHO ARE TRYING TO MAKE SENSE OF ALL OF
13 THIS CAN'T DO IT. WE CANNOT DO IT. THE STATE, IN 1989, PASSED
14 A BILL, 1741, A.B. 1741, FOR COUNTIES TO BLEND FUNDS. LOS
15 ANGELES DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THAT. SAN DIEGO DID. WE DID.
16 BUT, EVEN IN THAT BILL, THEY HAD 56 REQUIREMENTS THAT HAD TO
17 BE MET BEFORE THEY WOULD EVEN CONSIDER WAIVING A HANDFUL OF
18 RULES AND REGULATIONS. EVERYONE AGREED THE SYSTEM DIDN'T WORK.
19 WE ALL AGREE THIS IS WRONG. THIS IS A MESS. NOBODY WILL CHANGE
20 IT. NOBODY WILL CHANGE IT. NOW, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR 12
21 YEARS IN THIS COUNTY AT BOARD DIRECTION, 1993, TO FIGURE OUT
22 HOW TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILY. OUTCOMES. HOW
23 DO YOU MANEUVER, LITERALLY MANEUVER AROUND ALL THESE RULES AND
24 REGULATIONS TO PRODUCE A BETTER OUTCOME? WE FIND WE CAN'T
25 SHARE INFORMATION. THERE ARE CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENTS THAT



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1 ARE FEDERAL AND STATE. MENTAL HEALTH CAN'T TALK TO CHILDREN
2 SERVICES. THEY CAN'T SHARE DATA ON THE SAME CHILD. AND YET
3 EVERYBODY COMES TO YOU AND SAYS, "WHY AREN'T YOU DOING A
4 BETTER JOB WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILIES?" SO THERE IS NO MAGIC,
5 I DON'T WANT TO SAY BULLET, THERE IS NO MAGIC TO THIS ISSUE.
6 THIS IS NOT A NEW ISSUE. WE HAVE STRUGGLED WITH IT FOR YEARS.
7 I CERTAINLY WOULD WELCOME DAVID'S INPUT INTO THIS BUT I HEARD
8 THE WORD "ENTITY" IN THE DISCUSSION HERE. AN ENTITY, WE'RE
9 ALREADY IN THE PROCESS OF CHANGING THE GOVERNANCE OF THE
10 COUNTY. WE'RE ALREADY IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING A CLUSTER
11 THAT WOULD AMOUNT TO, I PRESUME, AN ENTITY RESPONSIBLE FOR
12 THOSE FUNCTIONS. BUT THAT IS-- EVEN THAT, WHILE IT WILL MAKE
13 IT EASIER TO GET AROUND ALL THE RULES AND REGULATIONS, ISN'T
14 GOING TO SOLVE IT BECAUSE, AS LONG AS YOU'RE GETTING AROUND,
15 YOU'RE NEVER GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL. THE FIGHT HAS TO BE IN
16 SACRAMENTO AND IN WASHINGTON, CHANGE THE RULES AND
17 REGULATIONS. SO I AGREE WITH THE CHAIR ON THIS. I REALLY WOULD
18 LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IT IS THAT HE IS TALKING ABOUT BECAUSE HE
19 ALSO WAS PRIMARILY CONCERNED, WHEN HE WAS HERE, ABOUT THE
20 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE OF THE COUNTY. IT WASN'T JUST WHETHER WE
21 HAD AN ENTITY OR AN AGENCY, IT WAS WHO WAS IN CHARGE. SO IT'S
22 NOT CLEAR TO ME AT THIS POINT EXACTLY-- AND WE ARE DOING AN
23 INCREDIBLE AMOUNT OF WORK IN THIS COUNTY ON INTEGRATING
24 SERVICES. GOAL FIVE IS ALL ABOUT INTEGRATING SERVICES. AND I
25 THINK WE SHOULD BE THOUGHTFUL ABOUT HOW WE ADD-- WE CAN ALWAYS



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1 USE HELP. THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT THAT. I HAVE GREAT RESPECT
2 FOR DAVID. I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S DAVID OR CASEY THAT WE'RE
3 TALKING ABOUT. IS IT THE CASEY FOUNDATION? IS IT DR. SANDERS?
4 IS IT THE TWO OF THEM? I THINK WE SHOULD BE THOUGHTFUL ABOUT
5 HOW WE BRING SOMEONE LIKE THE CASEY FOUNDATION INTO WHAT
6 ALREADY IS GOING ON IN LOS ANGELES. THAT'S MY CONCERN.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THAT'S MORE ELEGANTLY SAID
9 THAN I SAID IT AND I APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE MY CONCERN IS
10 EXACTLY THAT ISSUE OF HOW DOES THIS INTEGRATE WITH WHAT YOU'RE
11 DOING, WHAT WE'RE ALL DOING? AND IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO HAVE
12 ONE EFFORT HERE ON YOUR CLUSTER CONCEPT WITH THE CLUSTER
13 CONCEPT THAT'S BEING DEVELOPED, AND THEN HAVE THIS NOT
14 INTEGRATED INTO THAT CLUSTER CONCEPT. AND I'D LIKE TO ADD--
15 MAYBE THERE'S ANOTHER WAY TO DO THIS SO THAT YOU ARE A PART OF
16 THIS, WORKING-- THAT HE OR THE FOUNDATION WORKS WITH YOU, THAT
17 YOU BE TASKED WITH TALKING TO HIM SOON JUST TO GET A
18 FAMILIARIZATION SO THAT WE DON'T ASK HIM FOR A SCOPE OF WORK
19 TRYING TO BE-- I THINK YOUR POINT'S WELL TAKEN, BUT JUST TO
20 GET A CONVERSATION GOING BECAUSE ALL I KNOW IS WHAT I'VE SEEN
21 IN THE MOTION.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S WHAT THE MOTION SAYS, DIRECTING THE
24 C.A.O. TO COLLABORATE WITH DR. SANDERS AND THE CASEY
25 FOUNDATION AND TO REPORT BACK IN 90 DAYS. I MEAN, THAT'S WHAT



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1 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. YVONNE IS SAYING HAVE THEM REPORT BACK IN
2 30 DAYS. THAT'S FINE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WOULD IT BE BETTER IF THEY COLLABORATE AND HE
5 MEETS WITH THE C.A.O. AND THEY CAN COME BACK IN 30 DAYS TO
6 BRING US UP TO DATE IN TERMS OF WHAT MIGHT BE...

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** ...PROPOSED?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, THAT'S FINE.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** IF IT'S 30 DAYS, DOES THAT MAKE IT EASIER?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** WHEN YOU SAY BEING PROPOSED, I MEAN, YOU'RE ASKING
17 FOR THE SCOPE OF WORK, THEN? I MEAN, BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S
18 REALLY IMPORTANT SO THAT YOU DON'T GET TOO FAR INTO IT AND
19 YOU'VE GOT THIS OTHER THING GOING ON...

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT, WHEN I
22 THINK OF A SCOPE OF WORK, I USUALLY THINK OF A BREAKDOWN OF
23 HOURS, TIMES AND ALLOCATION AND DUTIES...

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.

2 THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** ...AND PEOPLE WHO WOULD BE WORKING. BUT WHAT I'M
5 THINKING OF...

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU KNOW THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN SO
8 LET'S NOT SPEND A LOT OF TIME TALKING ABOUT THAT. JUST AT
9 OUTLINE OF WHERE WE ARE AND WHAT WE WANT TO DO.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. YOU WANT A WRITTEN DOCUMENT, THOUGH, YOU
12 WANTED?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** HOW DOES IT RELATE TO ALL THE WORK THAT'S GOING ON
15 IN L.A. COUNTY RIGHT NOW?

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, ARE WE TALKING ABOUT...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SURPRISED THAT WE WOULDN'T
20 WANT TO KNOW.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** ...A WRITTEN DOCUMENT THAT WE WOULD RECEIVE? WAS
23 IT A WRITTEN SCOPE OF WORK DOCUMENT?

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHETHER IT'S WRITTEN-- I'M
2 SURPRISED THAT THERE IS SO MUCH RESISTANCE TO FINDING OUT WHAT
3 IT IS HE'S GOING TO DO. AND LET ME JUST-- THIS IS MY TIME. LET
4 ME JUST READ THE MOTION, THE MOTION PART. "I MOVE THAT THE
5 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
6 TO COLLABORATE WITH DR. DAVID SANDERS AND CASEY FAMILY
7 PROGRAMS; AND TO REPORT BACK IN 90 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
8 FOR DEVELOPING AN EFFECTIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES MODEL
9 FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHICH WOULD BETTER INTEGRATE..." ET
10 CETERA. DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S EXPECTED OF YOU? YOU'RE BEING ASKED
11 TO COLLABORATE WITH DAVID SANDERS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S EXPECTED
12 OF YOU? I WONDER IF HE KNOWS.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY COMMENTS HERE, I
15 THINK MODEL MEANS ENTITY, ENTITY MEANS AGENCY, AGENCY MEANS
16 HOW-- WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO ORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT'S
17 RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. THAT'S WHAT
18 I HEARD. IS THAT A FAIR CHARACTERIZATION, DO YOU THINK,
19 SUPERVISOR?

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND I'M CERTAINLY HAPPY TO HAVE THAT
24 CONVERSATION WITH DAVID AND I THINK I NEED TO AND WE NEED TO.
25 AND I'M NOT SURE IF-- I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS A CASEY



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1 FOUNDATION INITIATIVE, IF IT IS A COUNTY INITIATIVE, I DON'T
2 KNOW WHERE IT CAME FROM. I DON'T KNOW WHAT HIS INTEREST IS. I
3 DON'T KNOW WHAT HIS INTEREST AT ALL IS IN THIS PARTICULARLY.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, SO LET ME SUGGEST AN
6 APPROACH TO PIGGYBACK ON WHAT MS. BURKE SAID, WHY DON'T WE ASK
7 YOU TO COMMUNICATE WITH HIM-- OR DIRECT YOU, INSTEAD OF
8 COLLABORATE WITH HIM, TO COMMUNICATE WITH HIM OR WORK WITH HIM
9 TO DEVELOP AN OUTLINE OF THIS KIND OF WORK, REPORT BACK TO US
10 IN THREE WEEKS OR TWO WEEKS, I MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO BE IN
11 WASHINGTON, TOO, SO I DON'T WANT TO PUT PRESSURE.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YOU KNOW, THE SOONER THE BETTER AND I THINK...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FINE WITH ME. SO THAT YOU
16 HAVE A COMFORT LEVEL, THAT IT'S NOT AT VARIANCE WITH YOUR SIB,
17 YOUR SERVICE INTEGRATION BRANCH, THAT IT'S NOT AT VARIANCE
18 WITH WHAT YOU'RE WORKING ON, THAT IT'S-- THAT HE UNDERSTANDS
19 AND THAT YOU UNDERSTAND AND THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S
20 COLLABORATIVE AND IT'S NOT TWO PARALLEL OR CONFLICTING THINGS
21 GOING. THAT'S ALL I'M CONCERNED ABOUT. I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH
22 THE OBJECTIVE.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, MS. MOLINA.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET'S TALK ABOUT THE MOLEHILL THAT WE'RE MAKING
4 HERE. I'D LIKE TO READ THE WHOLE MOTION. "THERE ARE CURRENTLY
5 A NUMBER OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INITIATIVES AT VARIOUS STAGES
6 OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION INVOLVING MULTIPLE COUNTY
7 AGENCIES, COMMUNITY ADVOCATES AND PARTNERS, ALL WITH THE GOAL
8 OF IMPROVING THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY. THEY INCLUDE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ACROSS THE
10 CONTINUUM OF CARE SUCH AS HOMELESSNESS, CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION
11 AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME ACT
12 PREVENTION ACT AND FIRST FIVE L.A.'S PARTNERSHIPS FOR
13 FAMILIES. EACH INITIATIVE HAS SEPARATE REQUIREMENTS, AS WELL
14 AS MULTIMILLION DOLLAR FUNDING STREAMS AND RESOURCES. EFFORTS
15 OVER THE YEARS, THROUGH VARIOUS BOARD MOTIONS, AS WELL AS BY
16 THE NEW DIRECTOR'S DIRECTIONS TASKFORCE, THE CHILDREN'S
17 PLANNING COUNCIL, AND THE SERVICE INTEGRATION BRANCH, HAVE
18 BEEN SOMEWHAT SUCCESSFUL AT INTEGRATING THESE AND OTHER
19 INITIATIVES; YET THE ISSUE-FOCUSED APPROACH OF THESE EFFORTS
20 HAS RENDERED THE INITIATIVES FRAGMENTED AND DUPLICATIVE. IT IS
21 IMPORTANT TO LEARN FROM NATIONWIDE EXPERIENCES IN ORDER TO
22 DEVELOP A SUCCESSFUL OVERALL COUNTYWIDE STRATEGY ON HOW
23 AGENCIES CAN PREVENT DUPLICATION OF EFFORT AND WASTED
24 RESOURCES AND MAXIMIZE REVENUES TO IMPROVE OUTCOMES FOR
25 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. DR. DAVID SANDERS AND THE CASEY FAMILY



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1 PROGRAMS HAVE WORKED WITH NATIONAL EXPERTS AND JURISDICTIONS
2 ACROSS THE COUNTY SERVING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. IN ADDITION,
3 DRAWING UPON HIS WORK IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, DR. SANDERS HAS
4 FIRSTHAND KNOWLEDGE OF SOME OF THE OBSTACLES THAT PREVENT
5 BETTER INTEGRATION OF MULTIPLE COUNTY AGENCY. THIS PLACES DR.
6 SANDERS IN A UNIQUELY QUALIFIED POSITION TO LEND HIS EXPERTISE
7 TO DEVELOP A VIABLE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES MODEL FOR LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY...." AND LISTEN TO THIS LAST PART. "...AT NO
9 COST TO THE COUNTY. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.A.O. TO COLLABORATE WITH DR. DAVID
11 SANDERS AND THE CASEY FAMILY PROGRAMS AND TO REPORT BACK IN 90
12 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS IF WE'RE DEVELOPING AN EFFECTIVE
13 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES MODEL FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH
14 WOULD BETTER INTEGRATE ITS MULTIPLE-AGENCY PLANNING AND
15 IMPLEMENTATION EFFORTS TOWARDS IMPROVING THE LIVES OF LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES." NOW, I SAY THAT, IF YOU
17 CAN'T FIGURE OUT FROM THAT MOTION WHAT THE OUTCOME IS, IF YOU
18 CAN'T FIGURE OUT A TIMEFRAME, A PROCESS, COLLABORATION, A
19 MECHANISM, A SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS, IF YOU CAN'T FIGURE IT
20 OUT, THEN WE MUST BE DUMB AND BLIND AND NOT TOO BRIGHT. THE
21 REALITY IS IT'S VERY CLEAR. I THINK WE SHOULD GET TO WORK. WE
22 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY. USUALLY, WE SIGN ONTO CONSULTANT
23 CONTRACTS LIKE NAVIGANT WHERE WE CAN'T GET A BETTER DEFINITION
24 OF THIS AND WE'D LOOK AT EXPERTISE THAT WE DON'T EVEN KNOW AND
25 WE SIGN ON AND GIVE 16 MILLION BUCKS FOR A BIG IN A POKE. THIS



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1 IS A KNOWN COMMODITY, A KNOWN ORGANIZATION, THE CASEY
2 FOUNDATION. JESUS, WE'RE NOT DEALING WITH SOME UP AND BRAND
3 NEW, I MEAN, THEY'RE WELL KNOWN IN THIS AREA OF HUMAN SERVICES
4 AND PARTICULARLY FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES. FOLKS, I DON'T KNOW
5 WHY WE ARE MAKING A MOUNTAIN OUT OF THIS MOLEHILL. IT IS SO
6 CLEAR. IT IS SO EVIDENT. WE SHOULD BE APPLAUDING THE CASEY
7 FOUNDATION. WE SHOULD BE APPLAUDING DR. SANDERS. AND WE SHOULD
8 BE APPLAUDING MR. ANTONOVICH FOR BRINGING IN A MOTION GETTING
9 TO WORK. I THINK IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY AND WE SHOULD LEAVE
10 IT AS IS AND MOVE FORWARD.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN.** OKAY. DAVID, CAN YOU BE IN TOUCH
13 WITH HIM BETWEEN NOW AND-- AS SOON AS YOU CAN JUST TO MAKE
14 SURE THAT...

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16 >>**SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE TALKED TO DR. SANDERS AND DR.
17 SANDERS IS AWARE OF THE MOTION AND HE SUPPORTS THE MOTION.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I APPRECIATE THAT YOU TALKED
20 TO HIM.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SEE, MY CONCERN IS WE HAVE CHILDREN...

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, MIKE, I DON'T, MIKE...

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...WHO ARE BEING ABUSED BY A SYSTEM THAT
2 CONDONES THEIR MISTREATMENT BY BENIGN NEGLECT AND HERE'S AN
3 OPPORTUNITY OF MOVING FORWARD AND REACHING OUT A LIFE NET FOR
4 THESE CHILDREN. NOW, WE ALL KNOW THOSE WHO ARE EMANCIPATED AT
5 18 GO OUT IN THE WORLD AND ABOUT 90 PERCENT END UP ON DRUGS OR
6 IN A MORGUE OR IN A JAIL AND THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO BEGIN
7 CHANGING THAT. THIS BOARD IS ON RECORD AS SUPPORTING OUR
8 MOTION TO INCREASE THE EMANCIPATION AGE TO 21. WE KNOW THERE'S
9 A PROBLEM GETTING OLDER CHILDREN ADOPTED. WE KNOW THERE ARE
10 PROBLEMS...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM...

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...AND THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO USE AN
15 EXPERIENCED INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS HANDS ON EXPERIENCE FROM LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY, FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, AND NOW HEAD OF
17 THE FOUNDATION DEALING WITH CHILDREN TO COORDINATE ALL THOSE
18 EFFORTS TO ASSIST US FREE OF CHARGE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH DAVID
21 JANSSEN TALKING TO DAVID SANDERS AND MAKING SURE THAT HIS
22 EFFORTS ARE IN SYNC WITH WHAT THE COUNTY IS DOING?

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THAT WOULD WORK AND IF YOU WANT TO HAVE
25 TWO OR THREE WEEKS FOR US TO BE BROUGHT UP TO DATE AFTER HE



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1 HAS THAT CONVERSATION BUT I THINK THAT IT WOULD BE REALLY NOT
2 WELL ADVISED FOR US TO JUST SAY, "WE AREN'T GOING TO SIGN THIS
3 UNTIL WE GET..."

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHETHER WE
6 HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO HAVING DAVID JANSSEN TALK TO DAVID
7 SANDERS AND HAVING...

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE'S GOING TO BE PART OF THE PROCESS. THAT'S
10 WHAT THE MOTION IS DIRECTING, THAT DAVID IS PART OF THE
11 PROCESS.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THE ANSWER YES?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I MEAN, HE IS GOING TO BE TALKING TO HIM BUT
16 I'D RATHER HAVE HIM TALK TO HIM AND MOVE FORWARD THAN TO DELAY
17 AND HAVE HIM TALK AND STAND STILL.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DIDN'T ASK FOR THE DELAY. I
20 DIDN'T ASK FOR A DELAY, MIKE. ALL I ASKED WAS THAT THERE BE--
21 BECAUSE THE MOTION DID NOT ASK FOR A DELAY. BUT THAT'S FINE.
22 I'LL WITHDRAW MY MOTION AND IT IS ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT
23 YOU WILL TALK TO MR. SANDERS, DR. SANDERS IN THE NEXT COUPLE
24 WEEKS.

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I'M COMFORTABLE. I'M COMFORTABLE WITH THE
2 MOTION. I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND MY FIRST
3 CONVERSATION IS OBVIOUSLY GOING TO BE WITH DAVID AND WE WILL
4 REPORT BACK ON-- RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE REPORT BACK TO US.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ABSOLUTELY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I MEAN, I GUESS THE POINT HERE BEING THEN
11 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE MADE THE CONTACT WITH DAVID AND
12 DAVID DIDN'T CONTACT US, IS THAT CORRECT?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, THEN I THINK IT'S VERY APPROPRIATE THAT MR.
17 JANSSEN...

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, VERY APPROPRIATE.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** ...TALKS TO MR. SANDERS.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT'S WHY THE MOTION OF ASKING DAVID TO
24 BE PART OF THE PROCESS.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, APPARENTLY, HE DIDN'T TALK
2 TO THE DIRECTOR OF DCFS, EITHER. IF HE DIDN'T TALK TO YOU,
3 THEN HE PROBABLY DIDN'T TALK TO ANY OF THE OTHER DEPARTMENT
4 HEAD, WHICH IS MAYBE APPROPRIATE SINCE HE HASN'T STARTED HIS
5 WORK YET BUT I WOULD HAVE EXPECTED THAT YOU WOULD HAVE KNOWN
6 SOMETHING ABOUT THIS AND THAT'S FINE. WE'LL START HERE AND
7 WORK OUR WAY THROUGH IT. ALL RIGHT. ANY OBJECTION TO THE
8 MOTION? WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THANK YOU, MEMBERS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE VERY WELCOME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 50-- LET'S SEE. 71, ON THE
15 BUDGET.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT THE LAST ITEM? CAN WE HOLD
18 THE BUDGET UNTIL THE END?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OH, SURE, NO PROBLEM. OKAY. THEN...

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** WE'VE GOT ITEM 58 WE HAVEN'T DONE YET.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** 29.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID 29.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DID 29.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE ITEM...

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 69.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 69 IS THE PUBLIC HEARING.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE 58, 69, 70. THOSE ARE THE THREE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** 69 AND 70 PROBABLY CARRY BUT WE HAVEN'T DONE THE
14 ITEM 58 YET.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FINE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 58. MR. EZRA LEVI?

19

20 **EILEEN CURTS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EILEEN CURTS. I'M
21 ATTORNEY FOR MR. LEVI AND G COAST CONSTRUCTION. I WAS RETAINED
22 JUST OVER THE WEEKEND REGARDING THIS MATTER. I HAD REQUESTED A
23 CONTINUANCE FROM COUNTY COUNSEL YESTERDAY. I WAS INITIALLY
24 GIVEN A CONTINUANCE AROUND 2:30 AND THEN WAS ADVISED LATER ON
25 THAT THEY WEREN'T WILLING TO GIVE THE CONTINUANCE. MY CONCERNS



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1 REGARDING HAVING THIS HEARING AT THIS POINT IS THAT THERE IS
2 AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING ON-- TOMORROW, WHICH ARE DEALING
3 WITH THE SAME ISSUES. IF THE BOARD MAKES A DETERMINATION ON
4 THOSE ISSUES TODAY, I THINK IT WILL AFFECT THE HEARING
5 TOMORROW. I'M JUST REQUESTING A SHORT CONTINUANCE FOR THAT
6 HEARING TO BE COMPLETED SO WE CAN THEN DEAL WITH THE ISSUES. I
7 ALSO TALKED TO COUNTY COUNSEL THIS MORNING TRYING TO REACH A
8 NEGOTIATION OR A SETTLEMENT REGARDING ALL THESE MATTERS AND MY
9 PURPOSE OR I'M HOPEFUL THAT MAYBE WE CAN REACH SOMETHING IF
10 I'M GIVEN A LITTLE BIT OF TIME. IF WE CANNOT CONTINUE THIS,
11 THEN I WILL HAVE MR. LEVI DISCUSS THE ISSUES. THEY'RE VERY
12 SERIOUS ISSUES. WE NEED TIME TO BRIEF HIM. I HAVEN'T HAD A
13 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT FOR THE BOARD AND IT WILL HAVE GREAT
14 EFFECT ON HIS BUSINESS AND I THINK THESE ISSUES NEED TO BE SET
15 ASIDE FOR A COUPLE WEEKS UNTIL WE CAN DEAL WITH THESE OTHER
16 ISSUES. AND SO I WOULD REQUEST A CONTINUANCE SO WE CAN HAVE AN
17 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING, WHICH IS TOMORROW, AND WE CAN GIVE HIM
18 A SHORT TIME AND HOPEFULLY MAYBE WE CAN RESOLVE THIS MATTER.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS MATTER HAS BEEN BEFORE US
21 BEFORE, HASN'T IT?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M NOT SURE IF THIS SPECIFIC
24 ITEM HAS BEEN.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T YOU ASK-- WHY DON'T LET
2 KAREN.

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** LET ME HAVE KAREN LICHTENBERG COME WITH THE
5 DETAILS?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WOULD BE THE SMART THING THE
8 DO.

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10 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THIS PRECISE MATTER HASN'T BEEN BEFORE THE
11 BOARD. MR. LEVI WAS HERE ON ANOTHER MATTER PREVIOUSLY BUT NOT
12 THIS MATTER.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BUT IT'S THE SAME TYPE OF
15 ISSUE, IS IT NOT? IT'S A DIFFERENT CASE...

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17 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** YEAH, I MEAN, IT'S ARISING OUT OF HIS
18 CONSTRUCTION WORK FOR THE COUNTY.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WHAT IS YOUR REACTION TO HER
21 REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE?

22

23 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THEY'VE KNOWN ABOUT
24 THIS GOING BACK TO LAST JULY, THE PROBLEMS THAT WE'VE HAD WITH
25 THE PERFORMANCE ON THIS PARTICULAR CONTRACT, AND IT'S ONLY



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1 NOW, AT THE 11TH HOUR, THAT THEY'RE CLAIMING THEY NEED MORE
2 TIME.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WOULD AN ACTION BY US APPROVING
5 THE RECOMMENDATION THAT'S BEEN MADE ADVERSELY IMPACT THEM AT A
6 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING TOMORROW?

7

8 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** NO. IT'S TWO DIFFERENT MATTERS. TODAY,
9 YOU'RE BEING ASKED TO FIND THAT HIS PERFORMANCE ON ONE
10 PARTICULAR CONTRACT HAS REACHED THE LEVEL OF A DEFAULT AND TO
11 DEFAULT HIM, WHICH WOULD BAR HIM FROM CONTINUING TO PERFORM ON
12 THIS CONTRACT ONLY. THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER THAT IS TOMORROW
13 IS A DEBARMENT HEARING, WHICH IS A INQUIRY INTO HIS
14 RESPONSIBILITY IN GENERAL AS A CONTRACTOR. NOW, SOME OF THE
15 FACTS THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO THE CONTRACTOR HEARING BOARD
16 ARE FACTS THAT ARISE OUT OF THIS CONTRACT AND THEN THERE'S
17 ANOTHER CONTRACT THAT'S ALSO BEING USED AS THE BASIS OF A
18 RESPONSIBILITY HEARING. BUT THAT MATTER WOULD-- IF THE
19 CONTRACTOR HEARING BOARD FINDS THAT HE'S NOT A RESPONSIBLE
20 CONTRACTOR, WOULD BAR HIM FROM BIDDING IN THE FUTURE. IT'S A
21 DIFFERENT MATTER. AND THAT WOULD BE GOING TO YOUR BOARD AFTER
22 THE CONTRACTOR HEARING BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION.

23

24 **EILEEN CURTS:** IF I COULD BE HEARD ON THAT, THEN.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, WELL, THAT, BE HEARD AND
2 THEN I'LL GIVE YOU THE LAST WORD UNLESS THERE ARE OTHER
3 QUESTIONS.

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5 **EILEEN CURTS:** WITH REGARD TO THE ISSUES BETWEEN THE
6 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING AND TODAY, THERE WERE A NUMBER OF
7 ISSUES IN YOUR LETTER DATED-- THAT WERE GOING TO BE BROUGHT UP
8 TODAY ON APRIL 17TH. THOSE SAME ISSUES ARE BEING DECIDED BY
9 THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING. THOSE ISSUES ARE CRITICAL TO BOTH
10 HEARINGS. IF YOU DECIDE THAT HE IS IN DEFAULT, THEN THE ISSUES
11 BEING DECIDED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING ARE NOT GOING TO
12 BE-- THERE'S NO REASON FOR THEM. BUT WE'RE PRESENTING EVIDENCE
13 AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING ON THOSE ISSUES CONTENDING THAT
14 HE WASN'T IN DEFAULT; THEREFORE, YOU'RE ADJUDICATING ISSUES
15 THAT WILL BE DECIDED ON THERE. THEY MIGHT NOT BE EXACTLY THE
16 SAME BUT THEY ARE RELEVANT ISSUES.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT ARE ALL THE ISSUES BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE
19 JUDGE?

20
21 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER IS A
22 NONRESPONSIBILITY HEARING TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE HAS THE
23 FITNESS OR CAPACITY TO PERFORM ON FUTURE CONTRACTS. IN THE
24 EVENT THAT YOUR BOARD WOULD MAKE A FINDING TODAY TO DEFAULT
25 HIM FROM THIS CONTRACT, THAT DOES NOT PRECLUDE THE CONTRACTOR



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1 HEARING BOARD FROM FINDING THAT THEY WOULD NOT RECOMMEND
2 DEBARMENT, THAT HE COULD GO ON TO BID ON FUTURE CONTRACTS.
3 DEFAULT ON ONE CONTRACT DOES NOT RESULT IN DEBARMENT.
4 DEBARMENT IS MORE OF A GLOBAL ISSUE.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. DOES MR. LEVI WANT TO
7 BE HEARD?

8

9 **EZRA LEVI:** YES, OF COURSE.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **EZRA LEVI:** I'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE FOR A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT
14 MATTER.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SPEAK INTO THE MICROPHONE PLEASE.

17

18 **EZRA LEVI:** I WAS A LOW BIDDER ON ANOTHER JOB, ANOTHER PROJECT
19 AND THE BOARD DECIDE TO RE-BID IT. THE REASON WAS FOR THAT
20 IT'S NOTHING COMPLETELY TO DO WITH ME. I HAVE NEVER BEEN IN
21 ANY THESE KIND OF PROCESSES EVER REGARDING MY PERFORMANCE OR
22 HOW DO I CONDUCT BUSINESS WHATSOEVER AT ALL. AND WHEN SHE SAYS
23 THAT WHATEVER WE DECIDED TO HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH TOMORROW,
24 IT COMPLETELY DOESN'T MAKE NO SENSE. IF THE SUPREME COURT HIGH
25 IS GOING TO DECIDE SOMETHING AND THE SMALL COURT UNDER IT IS



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1 DISCUSSING MY ISSUE BUT THE DAY BEFORE THE HIGH SUPREME
2 COURT'S TELLING ME I'M IN FAULT WITHOUT CHECKING MY EVIDENCE,
3 WHAT'S THE SMALL COURT GOING TO DO? I MEAN, NO ONE UNDER THE
4 SUPERVISOR OR UNDER YOU IS GOING TO CHANGE YOUR DECISION. SO
5 WHAT IS THE RUSH TO? TAKE YOUR TIME. MAKE JUSTICE. I DON'T
6 AGREE WITH ANY OF THE ALLEGATIONS MADE AGAINST ME. I HAVE
7 EVIDENCE AGAINST ALL THE ALLEGATIONS. I'M GOING TO BRING THEM.
8 WE HAVE TWO HEARINGS. TOMORROW IS ANOTHER HEARING. THIS WILL
9 BE COMPLETELY JUSTICE TO TALK ABOUT THIS ISSUE IN ANY OTHER
10 FORM, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT. I MEAN, AND YOU THE HIGHEST
11 AUTHORITY IN THE COUNTY. WHO IS GOING TO BREAK THE WORD OF THE
12 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS? WHO IS GOING TO RULE? TOMORROW, THEY'RE
13 GOING TO FIND ME INNOCENT. WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO SAY? THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECIDE AGAINST ME WITHOUT EVEN SEEING ANY
15 EVIDENCE. IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE NO SENSE. I DON'T UNDERSTAND
16 HOW TECHNICALITY SOMETHING LIKE THIS CAN EVEN BE BROUGHT HERE.
17 I GOT THE NOTICE THURSDAY. I MEAN I'M NOT SLEEPING SINCE
18 THURSDAY. YOU CAN SEE ME, I FALL ASLEEP HERE. TO ME, THIS IS
19 BROAD TO YOU. I'M EVEN SCARED TO SAY THAT. BUT WHO IS GOING TO
20 BRING A NOTICE TO DEBAR SOMEBODY OR TO DEFAULT SOMEONE ON THE
21 CONTRACT, DESTROY MY BUSINESS? I GOT A FAMILY. I GOT 20 PEOPLE
22 WORKING FOR ME. THEY'RE ALL GOING TO GO HOME. I GOT SEVEN
23 KIDS. TO JUST, LIKE THIS DESTROY A PERSON? I'M INNOCENT. I
24 MAKE A STATEMENT HERE. IN THE HEARING, I ASKED TO PUT THE
25 WITNESS UNDER OATH. I AM WILLING TO STAND-- EXCUSE ME. I'M TOO



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1 EXCITED OVER ALL THIS. BUT I'M WILLING TO TAKE THE STAND AND A
2 POLYGRAPH AND I'M WILLING TO HAVE ALL THE WITNESSES OF THE
3 COUNTY, PUBLIC WORKS. I MADE AN ALLEGATION THERE THAT THERE IS
4 A CONSPIRACY THERE. I HAVE EVIDENCE. THERE WAS TWO HEARINGS.
5 THAT ENGINEER WAS SITTING THERE AND WITNESSING, COMPLETELY,
6 COMPLETELY IGNORING FACTS. COMPLETELY AND ABSOLUTELY. AN HOUR,
7 TWO HOURS AGO, YOU SAID YOU'RE BELIEVING IN GOD AND STANDING
8 UP HERE. I'M STANDING UP HERE AND I'M TELLING YOU, I'M TALKING
9 FROM MY HEART. THEY ARE DESTROYING ME. I HAVE DONE NOTHING
10 WRONG. I NEED THE CHANCE TO BE HEARD. IF I AM IN FAULT, TAKE
11 YOUR TIME. INVESTIGATE INTO THIS AND THEN DO WHATEVER IT
12 TAKES.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. LEVI. EXPLAIN AGAIN
15 THE DIFFERENCE. I DIDN'T CATCH IT BETWEEN-- WHAT ARE WE BEING
16 ASKED TO DO TODAY?

17

18 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** TODAY, YOU'RE BEING ASKED TO FIND HIM IN
19 DEFAULT OF THE PARTICULAR CONTRACT AND...

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHAT'S THE EVIDENCE THAT HE'S
22 IN DEFAULT? DO YOU HAVE THAT? DO WE HAVE THAT BEFORE US?

23



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1 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** IN THE BOARD LETTER, THE DEPARTMENT HAS
2 RECITED TO YOU THE FAILURES OF HIM TO COMPLY WITH THE CONTRACT
3 TERMS.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IS IT TRUE THAT HE ONLY KNEW
6 THAT THIS WAS COMING UP TODAY LAST THURSDAY?

7

8 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** WELL, NO. HE WAS FIRST INFORMED-- HE WAS
9 GIVEN A FORMAL NOTICE TO CURE ON FEBRUARY 1ST.

10

11 **SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, THAT'S NOT MY QUESTION.
12 MY QUESTION IS, WHEN DID HE KNOW THAT THIS ITEM WAS GOING TO
13 BE BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY? WHEN THE AGENDA CAME
14 OUT ON THURSDAY?

15

16 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** THAT IS WHEN HE-- YES, FOR THIS PARTICULAR
17 HEARING DATE. HE KNEW BACK IN EARLY MARCH...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE KNEW THAT THERE WAS AN ISSUE
20 THAT THE COUNTY HAD WITH HIM.

21

22 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** NO, IN EARLY MARCH, ON MARCH 8TH, HE WAS
23 INFORMED THAT THEY WERE GOING TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS THAT HE BE DEFAULTED BUT WE DIDN'T KNOW THE
25 PRECISE DATE OF CALENDARING. AND WE TOLD HIM WE WOULD INFORM



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1 HIM OF THE PRECISE DATE OF CALENDARING WHEN IT WAS KNOWN. AND
2 SO, SINCE MARCH 8TH, THERE'S BEEN A SERIES OF CORRESPONDENCE
3 BACK AND FORTH, ALWAYS TELLING HIM THAT WE WERE PREPARING TO
4 GO TO THE BOARD. AND THEN, WHEN IT FINALLY FORMALLY CAME ON
5 THE BOARD'S AGENDA LAST THURSDAY, HE WAS FAXED NOTIFICATION
6 THAT IT WOULD BE INDEED HEARD TODAY.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ASK YOU A QUESTION. IF HE
9 WANTED TO ARGUE AGAINST THIS RECOMMENDATION, AND THIS IS ALL
10 GREEK TO ME, SO WOULD HE BE EXPECTED TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE TO
11 THIS BOARD? THE BOARD LETTER MAKES CERTAIN ALLEGATIONS ABOUT
12 HIS PERFORMANCE.

13

14 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF HE WANTED TO DEFEND HIMSELF, HE
17 WOULD WANT TO PRESENT, AS HE INDICATED, EVIDENCE TO THE
18 CONTRARY, CORRECT?

19

20 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** HE COULD DO THAT TODAY.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THIS WOULD BE THE PLACE TO DO
23 IT BEFORE WE FOUND HIM IN DEFAULT, CORRECT?

24

25 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** THAT'S CORRECT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS THE ONLY VENUE AS OF THIS
3 POINT IN TIME WHERE HE HAS A VENUE TO MAKE A CASE AGAINST THE
4 RECOMMENDATION, CORRECT?

5

6 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** WELL, HE'S BEEN GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO
7 MAKE THAT CASE TO THE DEPARTMENT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE. BUT, FOR NOW, I MEAN, IT'S
10 GONE UP TO US.

11

12 **KAREN LICHTENSTEIN:** BUT THIS IS HIS FIRST TIME BEFORE YOU,
13 YES.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AND WHY DID YOU WAIT--
16 WHEN DID YOU HIRE YOUR ATTORNEY?

17

18 **EILEEN CURTS:** IF I CAN JUST GIVE A LITTLE BACKGROUND ON THAT?
19 THESE HEARINGS WERE GOING TO A POINT HE GOT NOTICE OF HEARING,
20 DIDN'T KNOW THE IMPLICATIONS OF FIRST HEARING. AND WHAT
21 HAPPENED WAS IS THEY BOMBARDED HIM WITH UNBELIEVABLE AMOUNT OF
22 EVIDENCE, WITNESSES, AND HE WAS TRYING TO GET A ATTORNEY
23 THROUGH THE WHOLE TIME BUT, EVERY TIME THE HEARING WAS
24 CONTINUED WITH SUCH A SHORT CONTINUANCE, OR THEY SAID IT WAS
25 GOING TO BE SUCH A SHORT CONTINUANCE, ATTORNEYS JUST SAID, "I



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1 DIDN'T WANT TO HANDLE IT." HE HAD CONTACTED ME A COUPLE WEEKS
2 AGO. I WAS ON A LARGE CONSTRUCTION DEFECT CASE I SAID I COULD
3 NOT DO IT. TRIED TO GIVE HIM OTHER ATTORNEYS BUT IT WAS
4 DIFFICULT TO FIND ANYONE. FINALLY, I KNEW THE DESPERATE-- HOW
5 DESPERATE HE WAS. I SAID, "I SETTLED THE OTHER CASE." I SAID,
6 "I'LL DO WHATEVER I CAN TO WORK WITH YOU AND GET THIS DONE."
7 AND I WAS HOPING THAT THEY WOULD DO A CONTINUANCE ON THIS
8 MATTER. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PRESENT. I MEAN, HIS CONTRACT
9 BEING DEFAULT OR THE IMPLICATION OF THAT IS SEVERE. IT GETS
10 REPORTED TO HIS BOND. FINANCIALLY, COULD BE SEVERE. AND TO
11 ALLOW IT TO JUST TO BE DONE...

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, LET ME-- HAS HE JUST TAKEN
14 IT ALL THESE MONTHS FROM THE COUNTY AND NOT RESPONDED IN ANY
15 WAY? HAS HE NOT PRESENTED ANY EVIDENCE IN ANY WAY?

16

17 **EILEEN CURTS:** NO, LETTERS BACK AND FORTH. "LET'S TRY TO WORK
18 IT OUT IN DIFFERENT WAYS."

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT AS THOUGH HE'D BEEN
21 SILENT FOR ALL THESE MONTHS. HE'S MADE HIS BEST CASE TO THE
22 COUNTY, HASN'T HE?

23

24 **EILEEN CURTS:** WELL, THAT'S WHAT THE HEARING ON THE DEBARMENT,
25 THESE ISSUES THAT ARE ON YOUR AGENDA, THERE'S FOUR ISSUES, ARE



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1 THE SAME ISSUES THAT ARE GOING TO BE BEFORE THE HEARING ON THE
2 DEBARMENT HEARING. HE'S BEEN TRYING TO DEFEND HIMSELF ON THAT
3 HEARING. AND THOSE ARE THE EXACT SAME ISSUES THAT ARE HERE
4 BEFORE YOU TODAY FOR THE REASON FOR DEFAULT. AND IF YOU DECIDE
5 THAT HE'S IN DEFAULT, IT'S BASICALLY SAYING THOSE FOUR ISSUES
6 HE'S GUILTY OF. THOSE ARE THE SAME ISSUES THAT ARE BEFORE THE
7 DEBARMENT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT TRUE, KAREN?

10

11 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, IF YOU FIND HIM IN DEFAULT TODAY, THE
12 CONTRACTOR HEARING BOARD MAY STILL ALLOW HIM TO BID ON FUTURE
13 JOBS. THEY MAY NOT RECOMMEND DEBARMENT. THE EVIDENCE THAT YOU
14 WOULD BE BASING YOUR FINDING OF DEFAULT ON IS THE SAME
15 EVIDENCE THAT THE CONTRACTOR HEARING BOARD IS HEARING, IN
16 ADDITION TO OTHER EVIDENCE ON ANOTHER CONTRACT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS WHAT WE DO HERE TODAY GOING TO
19 BE ADMISSIBLE, IF THAT'S THE APPROPRIATE TERM, IN THEIR
20 HEARING TOMORROW?

21

22 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** NO. WHAT YOUR BOARD HAS DONE WITH THE FACTS
23 BEFORE YOU IS A TOTALLY SEPARATE ITEM. IT'S THE CONTRACTOR
24 HEARING BOARD THAT WOULD SIT IN DETERMINATION, BASED ON THE



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1 FACTS OF THE TWO CONTRACTS THAT ARE BEING DISCUSSED BEFORE
2 THEM, THIS BEING ONE OF THEM.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WILL THE FACT THAT WE-- IF WE
5 ACTED TODAY TO FIND HIM IN DEFAULT, WOULD THAT BE-- COULD
6 SOMEBODY RAISE THAT TOMORROW AT THE CONTRACT HEARING BOARD?

7

8 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL, I GUESS THEY COULD RAISE IT BUT WHAT
9 THE HEARING BOARD WOULD BE REQUIRED TO FIND THAT, BASED ON HIS
10 ACTIONS, THEY DON'T BELIEVE THAT HE'S A RESPONSIBLE
11 CONTRACTOR.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** IS IT GOING TO CAUSE YOU A TREMENDOUS PROBLEM IF
14 IT'S PUT OVER FOR TWO WEEKS?

15

16 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WHAT THE DEFAULT WOULD ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT
17 TO REQUEST THE SURETY TO COME IN TO FINISH THE JOB. SO, TO THE
18 EXTENT YOU CONTINUE THE DEFAULT FINDING, THE SURETY WILL NOT
19 BE COMING IN TO FINISH THE JOB. NOW, THE DEPARTMENT WOULD HAVE
20 TO ADDRESS WHETHER THAT'S A HARDSHIP OR NOT TO THEM.

21

22 **EILEEN CURTS:** COULD I BE HEARD?

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW MUCH WORK IS LEFT TO BE DONE?

25



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1 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** THIS ONE PARTICULAR RETAINING WALL NEEDS TO
2 BE REPAIRED TO MEET THE PLANS AND SPECS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHERE IS THIS ACTUALLY? THE
5 RETAINING WALL?

6

7 **EILEEN CURTS:** IT'S LAS VIRGENES, OFF OF LAS VIRGENES.

8

9 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** PIUMA ROAD.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS IT A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE?

12

13 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** NOT AT THIS POINT IN TIME BUT...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS IT A RETAINING WALL...

16

17 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** IT'S THE RETAINING WALL FOR A ROAD AND IT
18 DOES NOT MEET THE CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS SO IT IS THE
19 DEPARTMENT'S ASSESSMENT THAT, UNLESS IT'S REPAIRED, IT COULD
20 BE A PROBLEM IN THE FUTURE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE PROBLEM IS SLIDES, IF
23 THERE ARE RAINS OR SLIDES OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

24

25 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** YES. WE HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT RAINED THE OTHER NIGHT.

3

4 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** ...MANY ASPECTS OF THE CONCRETE WORK ON
5 THAT WALL.

6

7 **EZRA LEVI:** I'M HAPPY TO GIVE YOU SOME PICTURES OF THE PROJECT,
8 YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU MADE YOUR POINT.

11

12 **EILEEN CURTS:** CAN I EXPLAIN ONE THING ON THE PROBLEM WITH THE
13 WALL?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, I'M SORRY. I'M NOT INCLINED
16 TO DELAY IT. I JUST-- I THINK ALL OF OUR EVIDENCE IS-- AND
17 THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR A LONG TIME. AND, I MEAN, I DON'T
18 WANT TO COMPLICATE YOUR LIFE ANY MORE THAN IT IS BUT, WHEN WE
19 GET INTO A CONTRACT WITH SOMEBODY TO DO WORK, WE EXPECT IT TO
20 BE DONE, ESPECIALLY WHERE ISSUES LIKE ROAD SAFETY, PUBLIC
21 SAFETY IS AT ISSUE. SO I'M NOT INCLINED-- IF ANYBODY ELSE HAS
22 A VIEW ON THE BOARD BUT I'M NOT INCLINED TO DISAGREE WITH THE
23 STAFF RECOMMENDATION. I UNDERSTAND YOUR POINT BUT THIS IS
24 GOING TO GO ON. IT'S GOING TO KEEP GOING ON. IT'S GOING TO BE
25 A PING PONG MATCH AND WE HAVE TO PROTECT OUR OWN INTERESTS AND



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1 THE INTERESTS OF THE TAXPAYERS. ANYBODY ELSE WANT TO BE HEARD?
2 GO AHEAD. ONE ISSUE. I'LL GIVE YOU THE LAST WORD.

3

4 **EILEEN CURTS:** WITH THE SAFETY OF THE WALL, WE HAD A ENGINEER
5 TEST THE WALL AND THE WALL WAS FINE. THE WALL IS COMPLETED.
6 THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED. THEY EVEN INDICATE THEY'RE NOT EVEN
7 SURE THAT THE WALL IS UNSAFE. WE'VE HAD ENGINEERS TEST IT AND
8 IT WAS FINE. SO THAT'S THE ISSUE THAT'S GOING BACK...

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, THEY DIDN'T SAY THAT THEY
11 DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER THE WALL WAS UNSAFE. I THINK WHAT SHE SAID
12 WAS, AND I LISTENED VERY CAREFULLY TO WHAT SHE SAID, SHE SAID
13 IT'S NOT A-- I ASKED IF IT WAS A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE AND THE
14 ATTORNEY SAID NOT AT THIS TIME BUT, IF IT GOES ON FOR ANY
15 LENGTH OF TIME, IT COULD BECOME A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE. AND I
16 DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU LIVE BUT WHERE I LIVE, IT POURED RAIN THE
17 OTHER NIGHT BIG TIME AND IF IT POURS LIKE ON PIYUMA ROAD,
18 THERE'S A REASON THERE'S A RETAINING WALL REQUIRED UP THERE.
19 SO, UNLESS YOU HAVE SOME EVIDENCE OF WHAT THE WEATHER'S GOING
20 TO BE, MR. ANTONOVICH TELLS ME IT'S GOING TO RAIN ON FRIDAY.
21 SO THAT'S NOT WHAT SHE SAID. SHE JUST SAID THAT IT'S NOT AT
22 THIS MOMENT. BUT WE WOULDN'T REQUIRE A RETAINING WALL OR WE
23 WOULDN'T BE BUILDING A RETAINING WALL IF IT WASN'T IN OUR
24 INTEREST TO DO SO. WE HAVE OTHER PLACES TO SPEND OUR MONEY IF
25 IT'S NOT ON RETAINING WALLS.



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2 **EZRA LEVI:** CAN I SPEAK?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

5

6 **EZRA LEVI:** CAN I STAND?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. PICK THE MICROPHONE UP,
9 THOUGH, SO WE CAN HEAR YOU.

10

11 **EZRA LEVI:** IF YOU WANT TO CHOOSE TO DISCUSS THE MATTER, THEN I
12 WANT TO BRING SOME EVIDENCE. THE COUNTY CHECKED THE WALL WITH
13 AN ENGINEER. THEY TESTED THE CORE. AND THE REASON I WANTED THE
14 HEARING GO ON BEFORE YOU DECIDE HERE WITHOUT HAVING ANY
15 EVIDENCE, BECAUSE I WAS MAKING VERY SERIOUS ALLEGATIONS. WHAT
16 YOU BEING REPORTED, YOU ARE NOT BEING REPORTED OF THE TRUTH
17 AND YOU MAY ALL HAVE TO EXCUSE ME. I HAVE TO SAY IT, IF I
18 DON'T SAY IT, WHO'S GOING TO SAY IT? AND I BEG YOU, CHECK MY
19 EVIDENCE. WE DON'T WANT SOMEONE ELSE TO CHECK INTO IT BECAUSE
20 I'M GOING TO GO WITH THIS TO THE LAST BLOOD I HAVE IN MY BODY.
21 I AM INNOCENT. THE WALL IS PERFECT. THEY CONDUCTED A TEST IN
22 THEIR OWN PAPERWORK. THE TEST SAID NO AIR VOID. NO POCKET.
23 THEY REPRESENTED IN THEIR EVIDENCE. THEY BRING A WITNESS TO
24 SAY IT WAS FULL OF AIR POCKETS. I BROUGHT AN ENGINEER. I
25 BROUGHT A CAMERA. I BROUGHT OVER TO THE SITE DEPUTY.



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1 EVERYTHING IS ON THE RECORD. WE BROUGHT THREE QUOTAS. THEY'RE
2 ALL PERFECT. 5,500 PSI. THE WALL NEEDS TO BE 3,250. YOU CANNOT
3 DECIDE WITHOUT CHECKING THE EVIDENCE. THERE IS SOME PEOPLE
4 WORKING IN THAT DEPARTMENT, MAY GOD FORGIVE ME, I'M STANDING
5 HERE AND I WILL PROVE IT. YOU ARE PRESENTED WITH THE WRONG
6 EVIDENCE. I GO TO JAIL IF I'M WRONG. DEBAR ME FOREVER. BUT
7 JUST CHECK MY EVIDENCE. GIVE ME A CHANCE. I HAVE SOME OF THE
8 EVIDENCE HERE. JUST LOOK AT ONE OF THEM. JUST LOOK AT TWO OF
9 THEM. JUST, TIME OUT. TAKE TIME OUT. I'M NOT GOING ANYWHERE.
10 YOU CAN DEBAR ME ANY TIME. THE ROAD IS NOT GOING ANYWHERE.
11 LOOK AT SOME PICTURES. THE ROAD IS COMPLETELY SAFE, COMPLETELY
12 PROTECTED.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** HAVE WE BEEN PRESENTED WITH THE EVIDENCE?

15

16 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** YES. WELL, IN THE BOARD LETTER, IT'S
17 EXPLAINED THAT THE COUNTY TOOK CORES, THEY HAD AN INDEPENDENT
18 TESTING LAB TEST THE CORES OF THE CONCRETE. IN ADDITION, TO
19 THE COMPRESSION OF THE CONCRETE, THERE ARE OTHER WORKMANSHIP
20 PROBLEMS WITH THE WALL, AS WELL. COMPRESSION ISN'T THE ONLY
21 ONE.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND EVEN THOUGH IT'S AN INDEPENDENT LAB THAT
24 TESTED IT, YOU DON'T BUY THAT AT ALL?

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1 **EZRA LEVI:** I DON'T BUY, I'M SORRY.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY HAD AN INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF IT. WHY
4 WOULDN'T YOU ACCEPT THAT IF IT IS TRULY INDEPENDENT? YOU DON'T
5 THINK IT'S INDEPENDENT, IS THAT IT?

6

7 **EZRA LEVI:** OKAY. THE SCI AND THE STM RECOMMENDS, WHEN YOU DO A
8 CORE TEST, TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU DO NOT READ THROUGH A REBAR.
9 THE TEST NEEDS TO BE DONE PROPERLY. THEY DONE THEIR TEST
10 COMPLETELY IMPROPER.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE SAYING THAT THE INDEPENDENT GROUP DID AN
13 IMPROPER TEST?

14

15 **EZRA LEVI:** I DON'T KNOW WHO REPRESENT THE COUNTY WHEN THAT
16 TEST WAS DONE BUT THAT TEST WAS DONE COMPLETELY IMPROPER. I
17 HAVE AN ENGINEER LOOK INTO THAT. HE BROUGHT 20 PAGES OF THE
18 ACI.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THERE A PROCESS OF WHAT IS A PROPER EVALUATION
21 OF THAT?

22

23 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** YES, THERE ARE PROCEDURES THAT ARE
24 SPECIFIED.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHY WOULD HE SAY THAT IT'S INAPPROPRIATE OR
2 IMPROPER?

3

4 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** I DON'T KNOW.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU KNOW, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THIS. I DON'T KNOW
7 WHAT IS BUT I JUST-- I THINK THAT THERE IS SOMETHING THAT I'D
8 LIKE MY STAFF TO LOOK AT IT. I THINK THAT-- I DON'T KNOW WHAT
9 THIS IS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR EVIDENCE IS, SIR. AND I DON'T
10 THINK THIS IS A GOOD PLACE FOR US TO TRY AND FIGURE THAT OUT.
11 BUT IF WE'RE GOING TO FILE DEFAULT, AND BELIEVE ME, WE'VE DONE
12 IT BEFORE AND BEEN IN SITUATIONS WITH PROBLEMS, I AM CONCERNED
13 ABOUT IT. AND SO I THINK THAT-- I DON'T KNOW THAT MY STAFF HAS
14 LOOKED AT IT AT ALL IN ANY LEVEL AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOUR
15 STAFFS HAVE BUT I'M A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED HERE. I DON'T KNOW.
16 I WANT TO BE RIGHT. I DON'T WANT TO BE UNFAIR TO YOU. BUT, IF
17 YOU DID SHODDY WORK, I'M NOT INTERESTED. BUT IF WE ARE-- AND
18 WE VERY RARELY TAKE AN ACTION LIKE THIS, BUT WE HAVE. BUT I
19 THINK THAT I HAVEN'T HAD AN OPPORTUNITY AND I APOLOGIZE. I
20 KNOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN HERE BEFORE. I THINK THE LAST TIME WE
21 SAID WE WERE GOING TO LOOK INTO IT. AND I'M NOT SO SURE...

22

23 **EZRA LEVI:** I WAS HERE BEFORE FOR SOMETHING WITH NOTHING TO DO
24 WITH PERFORMANCE. I WAS A LOBBYIST ON A PROJECT WHERE THEY SAY
25 THEY DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY AND THEY WENT TO RE-BID.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, I REMEMBER THAT.

3

4 **EZRA LEVI:** I WAS NEVER, NEVER-- I'M 25 YEARS...

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOT ON THIS ISSUE?

7

8 **EZRA LEVI:** NOT EVER.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY THEN. I APOLOGIZE.

11

12 **EZRA LEVI:** I HAVE A CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE 25 YEARS. I PAY
13 LICENSE AND I BE LICENSED, I HAVE NEVER...

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M SORRY. I MADE A MISTAKE.

16

17 **EZRA LEVI:** EXCUSE ME, I HAVE NEVER DEFAULTED A JOB. NEVER.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. AND I GUESS THAT'S A SENSE OF PRIDE
20 FOR YOU AND I APPRECIATE IT. IT WOULD BE FOR ME, AS WELL. IT
21 WOULDN'T HURT US FOR ONE WEEK TO SET IT ASIDE?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, IT'S TWO WEEKS BECAUSE WE'RE
24 NOT HERE NEXT WEEK.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH, OKAY.

2

3 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** LIKE I SAID, THAT'S THE DEPART-- WHETHER
4 IT'S A PROBLEM FOR THE DEPARTMENT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THE DEPARTMENT HERE?

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHERE IS THE DEPARTMENT?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COULD WE ASK THE DEPARTMENT
11 REPRESENTATIVES TO COME FORWARD?

12

13 **EILEEN CURTS:** AND WE DO HAVE PACKETS FOR YOU TO REVIEW.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WHY DON'T YOU DISTRIBUTE
16 THEM? WAIT 'TIL THE LAST MINUTE TO DISTRIBUTE THEM?

17

18 **KEN SWANSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. KEN SWANSON, PUBLIC WORKS,
19 CONSTRUCTION DIVISION. MY STAFF IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
20 CONSTRUCTION AND INSPECTION OF ALL OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS
21 PROJECTS.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. YOU'VE HEARD THE
24 DISCUSSION THAT'S GONE ON. YOU HEARD THE TESTIMONY FROM MR.



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1 LEVI AND HIS ATTORNEY. WOULD YOU CARE TO RESPOND OR MAKE A
2 COMMENT ABOUT THIS? SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS?

3

4 **KEN SWANSON:** SURE. IT'S PRIMARILY A WORKMANSHIP ISSUE. THE DAY
5 THEY POURED THE WALL, ONE OF THEIR FORMS FAILED AND NOW THE
6 WALL HAS A NOTICEABLE BULGE IN IT. WHEN THE FORMS WERE REMOVED
7 FROM THE WALL, THE FORMS HAD A FORM LINER IN THEM THAT GAVE
8 THE WALL KIND OF A BRICK PATTERN AND THERE WERE NUMEROUS AIR
9 VOIDS AND POCKETS AND KIND OF NONCONSOLIDATED CONCRETE WITHIN
10 THAT WALL THAT THE CONTRACTOR HAD TO DO NUMEROUS PATCHING AND
11 REPAIRS, SO MANY, IN FACT, THAT IT WAS A COLORED CONCRETE WALL
12 THAT THEY HAD TO PAINT THE WALL TO COVER UP ALL THE PATCHES.
13 THAT THOSE REPAIRS, GIVEN, YOU KNOW, WHAT WE OBSERVED THE DAY
14 THEY POURED IT, GIVEN WHAT THE EXTERIOR SURFACE WERE, WE ASKED
15 THE CONTRACTOR TO TAKE CORES TO SEE WHAT THE INSIDE OF THE
16 WALL LOOKED LIKE. HE REFUSED TO DO THAT SO WE TOOK SOME
17 SAMPLES. I HAVE ONE OF THEM HERE THAT EVEN I THINK ANYBODY
18 COULD SEE THAT THERE'S SOME WORKMANSHIP ISSUES WITH THIS CORE
19 SAMPLE.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S SEE IT. WHAT DO YOU HAVE?

22

23 **KEN SWANSON:** THE WALL IS ABOUT THIS THICK. THIS IS THE INSIDE
24 OF THE WALL. THIS IS THE EXTERIOR SURFACE. THE WALL HAS
25 REINFORCING BARS GOING HORIZONTALLY AND VERTICALLY. AN IDEAL



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1 CONCRETE CORE WOULD BE COMPLETE CONCRETE WITH THE STEEL
2 COMPLETELY ENCASED WITHIN THE CONCRETE. WITH THIS ONE, THE
3 BACK OF THE SAMPLE WAS SO POOR THAT THIS REBAR HAD TO BE TAPED
4 TOGETHER TO HOLD THE CORE SAMPLE AND THE REBAR TOGETHER. THIS
5 REBAR HERE, THE CORE SITS THIS WAY. SO THIS ENTIRE REBAR GOING
6 THROUGH THE WALL IS EXPOSED. WATER CAN GET IN THERE. THAT CAN
7 CAUSE RUST. IDEALLY, A CONCRETE WALL WOULD NOT HAVE ANY AIR
8 VOIDS. HERE'S A BIG POCKET HERE, YOU KNOW. SO THIS IS JUST ONE
9 SAMPLE OF THE WHOLE WALL. WE TOOK OTHERS THAT WERE A LITTLE
10 BETTER. I'M GUESSING WE COULD TAKE OTHERS THAT COULD BE WORSE.
11 THERE'S ALSO A COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH ISSUE, THAT THE RECIPE OF
12 THE CONCRETE NEEDS TO MEET A CERTAIN STRENGTH. THAT WE HAVE
13 TAKEN SAMPLES FROM WITHIN THESE SAMPLES AND TESTED THEM. SOME
14 OF THEM MET THE CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS, SOME OF THEM DIDN'T. HE
15 HAS HIRED-- HE HAS TAKEN SOME CORES WITHOUT OUR PERMISSION.
16 HIS CORES HAVE TESTED TO MEET THE COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH. BUT
17 THEY REALLY DON'T ADDRESS THE WORKMANSHIP ISSUES OF THE
18 POCKETS AND VOIDS THAT ARE IN THIS WALL.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NORMALLY, WHEN SOMETHING LIKE THIS
21 HAPPENS AND YOU FIND THAT THERE'S A DEFECT IN THE WALL OR IN
22 THE WORKMANSHIP, DO YOU GO TO THE CONTRACTOR AND SAY FIX IT?

23

24 **KEN SWANSON:** YES. AND WE'VE BEEN DOING THAT SINCE LAST JULY.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WHAT'S HAPPENED?

2

3 **KEN SWANSON:** HE'S JUST REFUSED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE'S A
4 PROBLEM WITH THE WALL.

5

6 **EILEEN CURTS:** THEY DIDN'T TAKE THE CORE SAMPLES UNTIL...

7

8 **EZRA LEVI:** CAN I RESPOND?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, IT'S NOW APRIL SO WHAT HAVE
11 YOU DONE BETWEEN OCTOBER AND APRIL?

12

13 **EZRA LEVI:** CAN I RESPOND?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, SURE.

16

17 **EZRA LEVI:** I WANT REALLY TO TAKE THIS SAMPLE OF THE CORE AND
18 EVERYBODY LOOK AT THAT. I FEEL THAT, AS A CONTRACTOR, AS AN
19 ENGINEER WILL LOOK AT THAT, HE WILL FEEL SO EMBARRASSED TO
20 BRING THIS CORE AS A SAMPLE. THIS CORE, PER THEIR DOCUMENTS,
21 SAID THAT THEY HIT THE HIGH BEAM WITH THIS PARTICULAR CORE.
22 THIS CORE NUMBER THREE. THIS CORE COULD NEVER POST TEST IT.
23 CAN I HAVE IT, MR. KEN? I HAVE TO LOOK AT THE PICTURE WITHOUT
24 SEEING THAT TO KNOW THAT I WANT THEM TO BRING THIS. THIS IS A
25 NELSON STUD.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** A WHAT?

3

4 **EZRA LEVI:** A NELSON STUD. SEE THE REBAR HERE? THIS IS NOT
5 REBAR. WHEN YOU HAVE A HIGH BEAM AND YOU CONNECT THE REBAR TO
6 THE HIGH BEAM AND YOU DO YOUR WELD, YOU WELD-- UNDER A DEPUTY,
7 YOU WELD THE NELSON STUD TO THE HIGH BEAM. THIS IS WELDED TO
8 THE HIGH BEAM RIGHT HERE. THEY CORE IT. THERE'S NOW WAY EVER
9 YOU CAN TAKE THIS OUT OF THE CORE. THIS NELSON STUD RIGHT
10 HERE, EVERYONE SEE IT. I WANT TO CRY, I WANT TO SCREAM, HOW A
11 PERSON THAT CARRY AN ENGINEER CANNOT SEE THIS NELSON STUD? HOW
12 COULD YOU TAKE THIS CORE WHEN THIS IS CONNECTED TO THE BAR?
13 THEY HAD TO BREAK IT. IT COULDN'T COME OF IT. A KID CANNOT--
14 IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE NO SENSE. LOOK AT THIS. LOOK AT THE
15 NELSON STUD. THIS WAS IS EVIDENCE IN THE HEARING. EVERYBODY
16 WAS LOOKING. THE PERSON THAT DID THE CORE TEST, HE SAID THAT
17 THE CORE COME SO BAD AND ALL THIS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? ARE YOU
20 SAYING THAT THAT CORE SAMPLE, WHICH IS BROKEN AND HAS TO BE
21 HELD TOGETHER BY TAPE, THAT THEY BROKE IT? THAT THIS HAD
22 NOTHING TO DO WITH YOUR WORKMANSHIP? FORGET THAT. JUST TELL
23 ME. WHEN I LOOK AT THAT FROM WHERE I'M SITTING, IT LOOKS LIKE
24 IT'S NOT IN VERY GOOD SHAPE.

25



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1 **EZRA LEVI:** BECAUSE THERE IS A NELSON STUD HERE. THERE IS A
2 HIGH BEAM RIGHT HERE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M ASKING YOU. WHAT IS THE CAUSE
5 OF IT BEING NOT IN GOOD SHAPE? DO YOU BELIEVE IT'S BECAUSE
6 THEY BROKE IT? OR BECAUSE OF YOUR WORKMANSHIP?

7

8 **EZRA LEVI:** NO. WHEN YOU CORE-- THIS IS THE WELD.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU THINK WHEN THEY TOOK IT
11 OUT, IT DID THAT?

12

13 **EZRA LEVI:** YOU CANNOT TAKE IT OUT WITH BREAKING IT. THERE IS
14 NO WAY BECAUSE THIS BAR IS THE NELSON STUD. IT IS CONNECTED TO
15 THE HIGH BEAMS RIGHT HERE. IT'S WELDED WITH A DEPUTY. IT'S NOT
16 JUST WELDED WITH ANYBODY. YOU CANNOT JUST WELD IT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS BEYOND MY PAY GRADE.

19

20 **EZRA LEVI:** A CERTIFIED WELDER NEEDS TO WELD THIS. THIS WAS
21 CONNECTED...

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. LEVI, GIVE HIM THE CORE SAMPLE
24 BACK. CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHEN HE TOOK IT OUT...

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU COULD NOT HAVE TAKEN IT OUT BECAUSE IT WAS
2 ATTACHED TO A WELDED...

3

4 **EILEEN CURTS:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

7

8 **EZRA LEVI:** YOU COULD NEVER TAKE IT OUT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO RESPOND TO THAT?

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO EVALUATE
13 THAT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RESPOND TO THAT AND THEN WE'RE
16 GOING TO WRAP THIS UP.

17

18 **KEN SWANSON:** A CORE SAMPLE WAS GOING TO GO THROUGH WHATEVER IT
19 HITS. IT'S GOING TO HIT CONCRETE. IT'S GOING TO HIT REBAR. IT
20 HIT A NELSON STUD. IDEALLY, THAT'S NOT A PERFECT SITUATION.
21 BUT, FINDING THESE VOIDS, FINDING THIS EXPOSED REBAR IN THE
22 WALL, THE REBAR REALLY WASN'T DOING ANYTHING ANYHOW. THE WALL
23 HAS DOZENS AND DOZENS OF THESE NELSON STUDS. IT KIND OF ALLOWS
24 THE REBAR CAGE WITHIN THE WALL TO BE ATTACHED TO THE MORE



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1 SUBSTANTIAL PILE WALL THAT IT'S A FASCIA FOR. SO LOSING ONE OF
2 THEM IS REALLY NO BIG DEAL.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHAT'S THE SIGNIFICANCE OF YOUR
5 SHOWING US THIS?

6

7 **KEN SWANSON:** THE WORKMANSHIP. THAT THE CONCRETE HAS AIR
8 POCKETS. IT'S GOT VOIDS IN IT. THE REBAR IS OPEN TO-- YOU
9 KNOW, IT'S NOT COMPLETELY ENCASED IN CONCRETE. IT CAN RUST. IT
10 CAN DETERIORATE. OVER TIME, THIS WALL COULD HAVE SOME
11 PROBLEMS. WE PAID FOR A BETTER WALL THAN WHAT WE GOT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE A PICTURE OF THE
14 BULGING WALL. YOU SAID EARLIER THAT THE WALL...

15

16 **KEN SWANSON:** NO, I DON'T HAVE PHOTOGRAPHS BUT, YOU KNOW, IT
17 SHOULD HAVE A VERTICAL WALLED THAT HAS A VISIBLE BULGE IN IT.
18 IT'S GOT A COLD JOINT IN IT THAT WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE THERE
19 AND NUMEROUS OTHER SURFACE CRACKS AND DEFICIENCIES. IT'S NOT
20 AN ESTHETICALLY ATTRACTIVE WALL.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WHEN YOU'VE GONE TO HIM OVER
23 THE LAST MANY MONTHS AND TOLD HIM TO FIX IT, HE'S REFUSED TO
24 FIX IT?

25



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1 **KEN SWANSON:** YES.

2

3 **EZRA LEVI:** THAT'S NOT CORRECT.

4

5 **EILEEN CURTS:** THAT'S INCORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO DID YOU FIX IT?

8

9 **EZRA LEVI:** I HAVE SERIES OF LETTERS...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. LEVI, JUST ANSWER THE
12 QUESTION. IN OCTOBER, YOUR ATTORNEY SAID THAT, IN OCTOBER, YOU
13 WERE INFORMED OF THESE PROBLEMS. WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO FIX IT
14 SINCE OCTOBER?

15

16 **EZRA LEVI:** I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A PLAN WHAT
17 TO DO.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ASKED THEM TO PROVIDE YOU A
20 PLAN?

21

22 **EZRA LEVI:** THEY ASKED ME TO PROVIDE A PLAN FOR REMEDIATION. I
23 ASKED, WHAT IS WRONG? THEY GAVE ME THE TESTS AND ALL THE
24 INFORMATION. I TOOK IT IMMEDIATELY, THE SAME DAY THAT I GOT
25 IT. I DIDN'T EVEN OPEN IT. I UPS'D IT TO AN ENGINEER. I SEND



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1 IT TO HIM. HE LOOKED AT IT. I SENT HIM THE SPECS. SENT HIM THE
2 PLAN.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. JUST GET TO THE POINT.

5

6 **EZRA LEVI:** I'M GETTING TO THE POINT. HE WAS THE ENGINEER, I'M
7 NOT AN ENGINEER TO DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH THAT. THERE'S AN
8 EXPERT FOR THAT. SO I SENT IT TO AN ENGINEER WHICH IS AN
9 INDEPENDENT. I TOLD HIM LOOK AT THIS AND TELL ME WHAT TO DO.
10 HE LOOKED AT THIS. ONE OF THE CORES-- THERE WAS FOUR COARS
11 THAT THEY TOOK. ONE OF THEM EXCEEDED THE PSI REQUIRED. THE
12 OTHER ONE WAS WITHIN THE SPEC, 85%, IT WAS 31 VERSUS 3,250.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MY QUESTION WAS, HAVE YOU FIXED
15 IT?

16

17 **EZRA LEVI:** THERE WAS NO INSTRUCTION BY ANYBODY WHAT TO DO TO
18 FIX. THERE WAS NOTHING THAT WAS TELLING ME GO DO A, B, C.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU AGREE THAT THE WALL IS
21 BULGING NOW? HAVE YOU BEEN OUT THERE TO SEE THE WALL?

22

23 **EZRA LEVI:** I CONSTRUCTED THE WALL. I KNOW EVERY INCH OF THE
24 WALL.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU AGREE THAT IT'S BULGING?

2

3 **EZRA LEVI:** I FEEL 100 PERCENT CONFIDENT THAT THAT WALL LOOKS
4 FINE AND THERE'S A PICTURE OF THAT AND IT HAS THE STRUCTURE,
5 THE STRENGTH IN THAT. THE WALL WILL STAND UP FOR A HUNDRED OR
6 200 YEARS. NOTHING EVER GOING TO HAPPEN TO THIS WALL BECAUSE
7 OF ANY OF THOSE TESTS. THIS PARTICULAR ONE, THE ONLY TEST
8 THAT'S COME UP BAD, THE ACI, ACM SAY YOU SHOULD NOT, YOU
9 CANNOT TAKE A CORE TEST WHERE THERE IS A REBAR ISSUE. NO, YOU
10 SHOULD TEST IT AGAIN. I BROUGHT X-RAY, THE SCANNED THE WALL TO
11 SEE WHERE IS THE REBAR.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO MOVE THAT
14 WE CONTINUE THIS TWO WEEKS AND I'M GOING TO ASK MY STAFF TO GO
15 OUT THERE WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS PEOPLE AND LOOK AT IT.

16

17 **EZRA LEVI:** I DO APPRECIATE IT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT HE STILL DIDN'T ANSWER YOUR QUESTION. HE
20 DIDN'T FIX IT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, HE DIDN'T ANSWER THE QUESTION
23 AND, FRANKLY, I THINK, BY NOT ANSWERING IT YOU ANSWERED IT.

24

25 **EZRA LEVI:** I WAS NOT GIVEN THE PLAN.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE DOESN'T HAVE A PICTURE OF THE
3 WALL...

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY ASKED YOU FOR A PLAN.

6

7 **EILEEN CURTS:** CAN I EXPLAIN THE REASON HE DIDN'T FIX IT
8 BECAUSE HIS ENGINEER THAT SAID THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG WITH
9 IT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU ASKED FOR A CONTINUANCE FOR
12 TWO WEEKS.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TWO WEEKS. I THINK IT IS BEST THAT
15 WE PUT THIS OVER FOR TWO WEEKS.

16

17 **EILEEN CURTS:** YOU'LL TAKE OUR PACKAGE?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DISTRIBUTED THE PACKAGE?

20

21 **EILEEN CURTS:** WELL, I WAS GIVING IT TO THE SERGEANT TO
22 DISTRIBUTE.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE IT TO THE SERGEANT AT ARMS
25 AND HE'LL DISTRIBUTE TO IT THE MEMBERS.



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2 **EZRA LEVI:** I WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH A FULL PACKAGE. THIS
3 PACKAGE WAS A SHORT PACKAGE THAT WAS DONE JUST TO HINT YOU OF
4 THE SUM. I CAN GIVE YOU THESE TO YOU BUT I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU
5 MORE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT FINE. THAT'S FINE. MR. LEVI,
8 WE'RE DONE SO JUST DISTRIBUTE THAT. YOU CAN SEND US ANYTHING
9 ELSE YOU WANT TO SEND US BY EMAIL OR DELIVER IT OR BY U.S.
10 MAIL. BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO THROUGH THIS AGAIN. I HOPE
11 NOT, ANYWAY.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** BY THAT, THEY WOULD HAVE RULED ON THE OTHER ISSUE,
14 RIGHT?

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** IN TWO WEEKS?

19

20 **KAREN LICHTENBERG:** WELL THEY'RE SEEKING A CONTINUANCE OF
21 TOMORROW'S HEARING SO IT'S UP-- IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE
22 CONTRACTOR HEARING BOARD DOES.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

25



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1 **EZRA LEVI:** I WILL JUST SAY ONE SENTENCE.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I'M NOT GOING TO LET YOU SAY
4 ONE THING. YOU SAID MORE THAN ONE THING. YOU GOT WHAT YOU CAME
5 HERE TO GET. JUST GOT TO KNOW WHEN TO FOLD THEM OR HOLD THEM.
6 THANK YOU. NEXT ITEM?

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE IS THE SET MATTER OR THE PUBLIC
9 HEARINGS OR THE BUDGET ITEM OR YOU COULD DO THE ADJOURNMENTS

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. I WAS STILL FOCUSED ON-
12 - SAY THAT AGAIN, SACHI?

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE THE SET MATTER AND WE ALSO HAVE THE
15 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS AND THEN WE HAVE THE BUDGET AND WE ALSO
16 HAVE...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT 69? DID WE DO THAT?

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 69 IS A PUBLIC HEARING, IF YOU'D LIKE TO DO
21 THE PUBLIC HEARING MATTERS?

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S TAKE 69.

24

25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 69 AND 70?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, THAT SHOULD NOT TAKE ANY
3 SERIOUS TIME. YES, EXCEPT THE BUDGET. ALL RIGHT. 69 AND 70.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL RIGHT. THE PUBLIC HEARING MATTERS. AND
6 ANYONE WHO WISHES TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND
7 AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT
8 THERE IS ANYBODY HERE TODAY.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE
11 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON ITEMS 69 OR 70? SEEING NONE, THE
12 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. ON ITEM 69, I'LL JUST READ THE SHORT
15 TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE HEARING TO REVISE VARIOUS
16 PARK AND RECREATION FEES AND CHARGES ON GOLF COURSE GREEN FEES
17 AND ESTABLISH THE FEES EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST, 2007. NO WRITTEN
18 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.
21 ANTONOVICH MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
22 VOTE ON 69. NOW 70.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 70 THIS IS THE HEARING TO PURCHASE
25 33.1 ACRES OF UNIMPROVED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE



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1 UNINCORPORATED LA SIERRA CANYON AREA OF THE SANTA MONICA
2 MOUNTAINS FROM MOUNTAINS RESTORATION TRUST WHO WILL PRE-
3 ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY FOR A PURCHASE PRICE OF 660,000 FROM POLK
4 BROTHERS FOUNDATION, INCORPORATED. NO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
5 WAS RECEIVED ON THIS MATTER.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE ALREADY CLOSED THE
8 PUBLIC HEARING. IS THERE ANY DISCUSSION? IF NOT, I'LL MOVE IT.
9 ANTONOVICH SECONDS IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ALL
10 WE HAVE LEFT NOW IS THE BUDGET?

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE THE SET MATTER FOR HEALTH AND THEN
13 IF YOU'D LIKE TO DO THE OTHER ADJOURNMENTS.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST FOR NEXT WEEK INTRODUCE THE
16 CURRENT LAW PERMITS VARIOUS FEES BE INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF A
17 RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE TRANSFER WHICH ARE PASSED ON TO FUTURE
18 BUYERS. WHILE EXISTING LAW REQUIRES THAT DISCLOSURE FEES BE
19 MADE TO FUTURE BUYERS, LITTLE CAN BE DONE BY THE NEW BUYER TO
20 ELIMINATE THE FEE, EVEN IF THE ORIGINAL PURPOSE OF THAT FEE
21 HAD BEEN MET. THE FEES, IN ESSENCE, BECOME A TAX FOR PUBLIC
22 SERVICE WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A LEGISLATIVE BODY DETERMINING
23 WHETHER THE PUBLIC NEED HAS BEEN MET OR CHANGED. SENATE BILL
24 670 BY SENATOR CORREA WOULD PUT A STOP TO THE RECONVENIENCE
25 FEE SCHEME THAT ALLOWS FEES TO CONTINUE TO PERPETUATE. LIENS,



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1 HOMEOWNERS' FEES AND OTHER FEES WOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THAT
2 PROHIBITION. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT BILL 670 BY
3 SENATOR CORREA. AND THAT'S FOR TWO WEEKS.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FOR THE NEXT MEETING HERE
6 IN TWO WEEKS. THANKS. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
7 ADJOURNING MOTIONS? SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** I GOT ADJOURNMENTS.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DO, TOO. I HAVE A COUPLE. I WANT
12 TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF NANCY PAPALEXIS, WHO
13 DIED JUST THIS PAST SATURDAY. NANCY WAS A LONG-TIME DIRECTOR
14 FOR U.C.L.A.'S DESIGN FOR SHARING PROGRAM, WHICH IS AN
15 OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATION WHICH INTRODUCES CHILDREN TO THE
16 PERFORMING ARTS. NANCY WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH OUR OFFICE AND
17 SHE WILL BE MISSED. ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
18 JOE L. HIRSH, DISTINGUISHED DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES MULTI-
19 FAMILY HUB FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
20 URBAN DEVELOPMENT, WHO PASSED AWAY. FOLLOWING HIS RETIREMENT
21 FROM HUD AFTER 30 YEARS, HE JOINED C. W. CAPITAL AS VICE-
22 PRESIDENT, SENIOR LOAN OFFICER IN THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE.
23 PRIOR TO THAT, HE WAS A PARTNER AT PRESERVATION PARTNERS
24 DEVELOPMENT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY
25 FRIENDS. I ASK ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DARREN



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1 LEE MCMILLAN, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF TUJUNGA, WHOSE LIFE WAS
2 TRAGICALLY CUT SHORT AT THE AGE OF 37 BY NEUROFIBROMATOSIS, A
3 RARE GENETIC DISORDER. DARREN ALWAYS TOOK SPECIAL PRIDE IN THE
4 FACT THAT HIS FATHER, GARY, UNDER THE STAGE NAME OF GARY LANE,
5 PLAYED BASS FOR THE STANDELLS, A POPULAR L.A.-BASED ROCK BAND
6 BEST KNOWN FOR THEIR 1966 HIT "DIRTY WATER", WHICH IS NOW THE
7 OFFICIAL THEME SONG OF THE BOSTON RED SOX. HE IS SURVIVED BY
8 HIS SON, BY GARY AND EDIE MCMILLAN, SORRY. AND THEN I HAD ONE.
9 NO, THAT'S IT FOR ME. UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THOSE ADJOURNING
10 MOTIONS. MR. KNABE?

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN. A NUMBER OF ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST
13 OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JANICE GARNER KIGHT,
14 WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 10TH. SHE WAS A LICENSED PRACTITIONER
15 AT THE HUNTINGTON BEACH CHURCH OF RELIGIOUS SCIENCE, VERY
16 ACTIVE IN THE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY. A TIRELESS WORKER, RAISING
17 THREE BOYS AND SERVING IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE
18 LONG BEACH HEART ASSOCIATION, RICKRACKERS, LAWYERS' WIVES,
19 CIVIC LIGHT OPERA, LONG BEACH CANCER LEAGUE. SHE'S SURVIVED BY
20 HER HUSBAND OF 43 YEARS, MASON, HER SONS, GREG, BRIAN, STEVEN,
21 THEIR WIVES, HER BROTHER AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE
22 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EDITH MARTIN, A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
23 ST. MARY MEDICAL CENTER GUILD. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO
24 DAUGHTERS, FRIEDA AND CAROL, SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND 10 GREAT-
25 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TONY



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1 TRUTANICH, A FISHERMAN TURNED BUSINESSMAN, WHO HAD THE
2 LANDMARK SEAFOOD RESTAURANT CALLED TONY'S FOR OVER HALF A
3 CENTURY ON THE REDONDO BEACH PIER. HE PASSED AWAY IN HIS HOME
4 IN ROLAND HILLS ESTATES. HE WAS 84 YEARS OLD AND HE WAS ONE OF
5 THE PIER'S EARLY PIONEERS. HE BUILT TONY'S FISH MARKET RIGHT
6 ACROSS THE PLANKS. TODAY, THE LOCALS CALL THEM OLD TONY'S AND
7 NEW TONY'S, EVEN THOUGH THE NEWER PLACE IS NEARLY FOUR DECADES
8 OLD. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JEAN, SON, DANNY, DAUGHTER, KATHY
9 AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
10 EDWARD FERRARO, WHO PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY IN HIS HOME LAST
11 WEEK. HE WAS 79. HE WAS CITY MANAGER IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE
12 FOR 19 YEARS, FROM 1964 TO 1983, OVERSEEING AN INCREDIBLE
13 TRANSFORMATION IN THAT PARTICULAR CITY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN
14 IN MEMORY OF JOHN HEYNING, A LIFE-LONG RESIDENT OF SOUTH BAY
15 AND WAS AN ACKNOWLEDGED EXPERT ON BEAKED WHALES. HE RECENTLY
16 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 50. HE WAS A MAMMOLOGIST WHOSE
17 OVERSIGHT INCLUDES THE NATIONAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND LOS ANGELES
18 COUNTY'S MARINE MAMMAL RESEARCH LABORATORY, WHICH HOUSES THE
19 WORLD'S SECOND LARGEST COLLECTION OF MARINE AND MAMMAL
20 SPECIMENS. HE IS SURVIVE BY HIS WIFE, CORINNE, AND TWO
21 CHILDREN, MARLENE AND NICOLAS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
22 OF OTTO KOESTER, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF BELLFLOWER AND OF
23 BELLFLOWER ELKS CLUB. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LOIS, DAUGHTER,
24 LOUISE, THREE NIECES AND TWO NEPHEWS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
25 MEMORY OF JOHN DEJONG THAT PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86 ON



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1 APRIL 13TH, A LONG TIME MEMBER OF NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH IN
2 THE CITY OF ARTESIA, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 60 YEARS, TINA,
3 CHILDREN, ANNA, FRANCIS, AGNES, STEVEN, DAUGHTER-IN-LAW MELVA,
4 10 GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE
5 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GEORGE ROSS, FORMER OWNER OF CONEY ISLAND
6 WEST IN FISHERMAN'S VILLAGE IN MARINA DEL RAY PASSED AWAY
7 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 79. SURVIVED BY A DAUGHTER, A SON,
8 EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, AND TWO SISTERS. AND FINALLY THAT WE
9 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LONG-TIME ENTERTAINER, HAWAIIAN MUSIC,
10 MR. DON HO WHO PASSED AWAY SATURDAY, APRIL 14TH, AT THE AGE OF
11 76. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DANA, AND 10 CHILDREN. THOSE
12 ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS SOME?

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUP. BURKE YOU HAVE SOME
19 ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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21 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
22 OF JOYCE YAMAMOTO, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
23 ANGELES, WHO PASSED AWAY APRIL 4TH AFTER A COURAGEOUS BATTLE
24 WITH CANCER. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER HUSBAND OF
25 48 YEARS, WILLIAM, HER MOTHER, SACHIYE, HER CHILDREN,



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1 CHRISTINE, ROGER AND ANDY, HER SISTER, NANCY AND SIX
2 GRANDCHILDREN. AND CALVIN LOCKART, A BOHEMIAN BORN ACTOR WHOSE
3 ON SCREEN DEBUT IN THE 1970S INCLUDED PROMINENT ROLES IN
4 COTTON COMES TO HARLEM, UPTOWN SATURDAY NIGHT, PASSED AWAY ON
5 MARCH 29TH OF COMPLICATION OF A STROKE AT THE AGE OF 72. HE
6 LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, JENNIFER MILES LOCKART,
7 TWO SONS, MICHAEL AND JULIAN, A DAUGHTER, SHARI, AND HIS
8 MOTHER, MINERVA COOPER. AND EUGENE SCOTT, LONG-TIME RESIDENT
9 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, PASSED AWAY APRIL 8TH OF
10 PROSTATE CANCER. HE VOLUNTEERED TO ASSIST WITH THE L.A.
11 MARATHON SINCE ITS INCEPTION AS A WATER STATION CAPTAIN AND
12 WAS A BELOVED MEMBER OF TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH. HE LEAVES TO
13 CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, MARTHELLA, HIS DAUGHTER, ADRENE
14 SCOTT, ONE GRANDSON AND FOUR GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN. ROSCOE LEE
15 BROWNE, EMMY AWARD-WINNING ACTOR WHO CONTRIBUTED VOICE ROLES
16 IN A VARIETY OF SHAKESPEARE PLAYS AND THE POPULAR FILM,
17 "BABE", PASSED AWAY APRIL 11TH AS A RESULT OF CANCER AT THE
18 AGE OF 81. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY A HOST OF FAMILY
19 AND FRIENDS. AND MARION HOLLAND PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY APRIL
20 15TH, CANCER. SHE WAS 63. SHE WAS A RETIRED LOS ANGELES COUNTY
21 SHERIFF DETECTIVE WITH MALIBU STATION AND A MEMBER OF ALPHA
22 KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY. SHE WAS A WARM, FUNNY, OPINIONATED
23 PERSON WHO LOVED LIFE, HER FAMILY AND GOLF. SHE LEAVES TO
24 CHERISH HER MEMORY, HER HUSBAND, RUDY, AND DAUGHTERS, DENISE
25 AND MIEKE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. ALL RIGHT. I
3 UNDERSTAND THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THAT IS,
4 AND THE GOVERNOR HAVE LOWERED THE FLAGS TO HALF STAFF IN
5 MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE VIRGINIA TECH UNIVERSITY
6 MASSACRE. AND I WOULD ASK THAT WE DO THE SAME FOR THE SAME
7 AMOUNT OF TIME THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS AUTHORIZED, WHATEVER THAT
8 TIME PERIOD IS, THAT WE LOWER ALL COUNTY FLAGS TO HALF STAFF,
9 CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE. THANK YOU. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
10 THAT'LL BE THE INSTRUCTION. WE'RE GOING TO THE BUDGET? YOU'RE
11 ON.

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13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIR. YOU HAVE
14 IN YOUR PACKETS THERE THE CHARTS THAT I WILL BE RUNNING
15 THROUGH. IT TOOK ABOUT 45 MINUTES YESTERDAY FOR THE PRESS BUT
16 I'M GOING TO GO THROUGH IT QUICKER TODAY. YOU OBVIOUSLY ARE
17 VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE 50,000-FOOT VIEW OF THE COUNTY BUDGET
18 SO I WILL GO THROUGH THAT. THE BUDGET IS PROPOSED BUDGET-- AND
19 LET ME SAY THAT THE PURPOSE TODAY IS TO ASK YOU TO ACCEPT THE
20 BUDGET FOR PUBLIC HEARING. PUBLIC HEARINGS WOULD START ON MAY
21 THE 9TH. DELIBERATIONS WOULD BE ON JUNE THE 18TH IF YOU
22 APPROVE IT TODAY. THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR NEXT YEAR IS \$21.241
23 BILLION, ADDITIONAL 1,425 STAFF FOR A TOTAL OF OVER 102,000
24 EMPLOYEES, A VERY MODEST INCREASE IN THE TOTAL BUDGET, LESS
25 THAN 1 PERCENT, SLIGHTLY HIGHER IN THE GENERAL FUND AND IN



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1 SPECIAL DISTRICTS. IT'S ALWAYS A CHALLENGE TO EXPLAIN TO
2 PEOPLE HOW THE COUNTY BUDGET WORKS BECAUSE IT IS SO DIFFERENT
3 THAN A CITY BUDGET, MUCH MORE SIMILAR TO THE STATE IN HOW THE
4 MONEY IS SPENT. 28 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL BUDGET GOES TO
5 HEALTHCARE, 25 PERCENT TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE, 27 PERCENT TO
6 PUBLIC PROTECTION. THOSE ARE THE THREE MAIN EXPENDITURES THAT
7 WE MAKE IN THE COUNTY. WHERE DOES OUR MONEY COME FROM? FEDERAL
8 GOVERNMENT, ABOUT 20 PERCENT; STATE GOVERNMENT, 20 PERCENT;
9 LOCALLY GENERATED REVENUES, 28 PERCENT. THAT AMOUNT IS GOING
10 UP. THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL SHARE OF THE TOTAL BUDGET ARE
11 DOWN SLIGHTLY. THE LOCAL-GENERATED REVENUES ARE UP. SPECIAL
12 FUNDS AND DISTRICTS, ROAD, FIRE, ET CETERA, ABOUT 20 PERCENT
13 OF THE BUDGET. NOW, LOCALLY-GENERATED REVENUES ARE A NET/NET
14 COUNTY COST WHERE WE SPEND A LOT OF OUR TIME AND EFFORT IN HOW
15 WE ALLOCATE THESE PARTICULAR REVENUES BECAUSE THEY ARE THE
16 DOLLARS THAT YOU PRESUMABLY HAVE TOTAL DISCRETION OVER. AND
17 WHAT YOU SEE IN THIS PIE CHART IS BOTH GOOD NEWS AND BAD NEWS.
18 PROPERTY TAX IS NOW 61 PERCENT OF OUR TOTAL LOCAL REVENUE.
19 FUND BALANCE, AT 1.2 BILLION, IS ALSO A LARGE PERCENTAGE BUT
20 THOSE ARE ALL ONE-TIME DOLLARS. SO, ONCE WE SPEND DOWN THE
21 CAPITAL PROJECTS, THE SHARE OF PROPERTY TAX AND THE TOTAL BASE
22 IS GOING TO GO UP AND IT WILL EXCEED 70 PERCENT OF OUR BUDGET.
23 SO WE ARE, AS ARE MOST COUNTIES IN THE STATE NOW, MORE AND
24 MORE DEPENDENT ON WHAT HAPPENS IN THE REAL ESTATE MARKET, WHAT
25 HAPPENS TO OUR PROPERTY TAXES. THE OTHER REVENUES,



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1 HISTORICALLY, SALES TAX IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, ONLY \$45
2 MILLION. WE DON'T HAVE A LOT OF REVENUE FROM THAT AREA. STATE
3 REALIGNMENT, VEHICLE LICENSE FEES, ABOUT A HALF A BILLION
4 DOLLARS BUT THIS CHART IS MEANT TO SIMPLY DEMONSTRATE HOW
5 IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX IS TO OUR BUDGET. AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT
6 HOW WE SPEND THE MONEY, TOTAL BUDGET VERSUS LOCAL DOLLARS,
7 THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE AND THE BIGGEST DIFFERENCE IS IN THE
8 AREA OF PUBLIC SAFETY. IN THE TOTAL BUDGET, PUBLIC SAFETY IS
9 ONLY 27 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL BUDGET; LOCAL DOLLARS, 40
10 PERCENT. SO THE PRIORITY OF THE BOARD, OVER MANY YEARS, HAS
11 BEEN PUBLIC PROTECTION. THAT'S WHERE THE BULK OF THE MONEY IS.
12 THAT'S WHERE THE BULK OF THE MONEY CONTINUES TO BE. HEALTH
13 DEPARTMENT, ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE LOCAL DOLLARS GO INTO
14 HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE,
15 ABOUT 11 PERCENT. THIS IS A VERY INTERESTING CHART BECAUSE, 10
16 YEARS AGO, THE FLEXIBLE AMOUNT OF THE BUDGET WAS 3.3 PERCENT.
17 I MEAN, THAT'S HOW TIGHT THE BUDGET WAS IN 1997, '98. IN THE
18 PROPOSED BUDGET FOR '97/'98, THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WE
19 CONSIDERED TOTALLY FLEXIBLE WAS 3.3 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET.
20 CURRENT YEAR, IT WAS ABOUT 14.4 PERCENT. AND, NEXT YEAR, WE'RE
21 PROJECTING THAT IT WILL INCREASE TO ABOUT 16 PERCENT FLEXIBLE
22 DOLLARS. SO, IN TERMS OF LOCAL FLEXIBILITY, THERE HAS BEEN A
23 DRAMATIC CHANGE IN CALIFORNIA IN THE LAST 10 YEARS IN THAT
24 PARTICULAR AREA.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF PROP 1-A? I MEAN,
2 DIDN'T THAT...

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** PROP 1-A CERTAINLY HAS PROTECTED THAT. PROP 1-
5 A DID NOT ACCOUNT FOR IT. BUT IT'S PROTECTION THAT'S NECESSARY
6 THAT WE HAVE THAT KIND OF DISCRETION IN OUR BUDGET. NORMALLY,
7 THE STATE WOULD BE LOOKING AT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SAY WELL,
8 YOU GUYS HAVE ALL OF THIS DISCRETIONARY MONEY, WE'LL JUST USE
9 SOME OF IT TO HELP BALANCE OUR BUDGET. THEY CAN'T DO THAT ANY
10 MORE SO IT'S NOT A BAD TIME TO HAVE DISCRETIONARY DOLLARS BUT,
11 AS YOU'LL SEE QUICKLY, THOSE DISCRETIONARY DOLLARS ARE
12 PRIMARILY IN PUBLIC SAFETY. AND THE PURPOSE OF THIS CHART IS
13 TO TRY TO EXPLAIN TO PEOPLE NOT ONLY HOW THE BUDGET WORKS BUT,
14 ONCE YOU GET INTO TROUBLE, WHERE YOU HAVE TO GO TO MAKE
15 REDUCTIONS. 72 PERCENT OF OUR REVENUE, OF OUR DOLLARS, COME
16 FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES OR
17 THEY'RE IN SPECIAL FUNDS. SO \$8.3 BILLION COMES TO US-- AND
18 THIS GETS, IN PART, TO THE CHART THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD.
19 THEY'RE TELLING US WHERE THIS MONEY GOES AND, OFTENTIMES,
20 THEY'RE TELLING US HOW TO SPEND IT. SO THIS IS NOT MONEY THAT
21 YOU CAN TAKE AND PUT INTO JAILS OR PUT INTO PARKS OR PUT INTO
22 LOCAL PRIORITIES. IT HAS TO BE SPENT WHERE IT'S RECEIVED. THAT
23 MEANS 72 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET IS OFF THE TABLE WHEN YOU TAKE
24 A LOOK AT-- WHEN YOU ARE LOOKING AT ALLOCATING LOCAL
25 PRIORITIES OR MAKING REDUCTIONS IN THE BUDGET. ON THE OTHER



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1 SIDE, ABOUT 11 PERCENT IS WHAT WE CALL NONFLEXIBLE. THESE ARE
2 EITHER MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENTS IN THE LAW OR
3 THEY'RE MATCH REQUIREMENTS OR THEY'RE SIMPLY THINGS THAT THE
4 COUNTY HAS TO PAY. FOR EXAMPLE, ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER,
5 PUBLIC DEFENDER, ABOUT \$200 MILLION OF THE GENERAL FUND IS FOR
6 DEFENSE. WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE ABOUT DEFENSE. WE PROVIDE
7 DEFENSE FOR ALL INDIGENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S A COUNTY
8 OBLIGATION. THE SOCIAL SERVICES, 496 MILLION. THAT'S A MATCH
9 REQUIREMENT. TO DRAW DOWN THAT \$8 BILLION FROM THE STATE, WE
10 HAVE TO PUT UP LOCAL REVENUES TO MATCH IT. SO YOU DON'T-- YOU
11 CAN'T PULL THAT OUT WITHOUT LOSING STATE AND FEDERAL DOLLARS.
12 SHERIFF, \$432 MILLION. THERE'S A MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT TO DRAW
13 DOWN PROP 174 SALES TAX, WHICH WAS PASSED IN THE EARLY '90S AS
14 A WAY TO MITIGATE THE PROPERTY TAX TRANSFER. THAT'S OUR
15 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENT TO DRAW DOWN PROP 174
16 DOLLARS SO THIS IS WHY THEY ARE NONFLEXIBLE. YOU COULD CUT BUT
17 YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE STATE AND FEDERAL DOLLARS IF YOU DO MAKE
18 THE REDUCTION. AND THEN, THE FLEXIBLE, 16 PERCENT OF THE
19 BUDGET. \$1 BILLION OF THAT FLEXIBILITY IS IN PUBLIC PROTECTION
20 AND THE ONE THAT I WOULD PARTICULARLY DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO
21 IS THE SHERIFF, BECAUSE 10 YEARS AGO, IN 1997/'98, THE SHERIFF
22 WAS ABOUT, AS I RECALL, MAYBE \$20 MILLION ABOVE MAINTENANCE OF
23 EFFORT. THE SHERIFF IS NOW \$681 MILLION ABOVE MAINTENANCE OF
24 EFFORT. THAT'S ALL THAT'S INTENDED TO SAY. IT'S NOT TO SAY
25 THAT WHAT THEY SPEND IT ON IS GOOD, BAD OR INDIFFERENT. IT



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1 JUST SAID THAT, FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT, WE COULD REDUCE THE
2 SHERIFF'S BUDGET BY THREE QUARTERS OF A BILLION DOLLARS IF WE
3 HAD TO SO IT IS TECHNICALLY FLEXIBLE DOLLARS AND THAT IS A
4 DRAMATIC CHANGE OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS. ALL OTHER COSTS, THE
5 BIGGEST DISCRETIONARY PIECES OF THAT, CAPITAL PROJECTS,
6 OBVIOUSLY, \$904 MILLION IN CAPITAL PROJECTS, \$117 MILLION IN
7 PROJECT FACILITY DEVELOPMENT. THAT REFLECTS THE AMOUNT OF ONE-
8 TIME MONIES THAT WE HAVE IN THE BUDGET WHICH INFLUENCE THE
9 PERCENTAGES OF THE TOTAL. NOW, THE PROPOSED BUDGET IS-- I
10 THINK YESTERDAY THERE ARE NO REAL SURPRISES IN THE BUDGET
11 SINCE WE HAVE TAKEN UP BUDGETING MUCH MORE FREQUENTLY THAN WE
12 USED TO. WE REDO THE BUDGET IN-- WE-- OBVIOUSLY, DELIBERATIONS
13 IN JUNE AND SEPTEMBER. WE HAVE ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT ADJUSTMENT
14 TO THE BUDGET. DECEMBER, WE ADJUSTED. JANUARY, WE ADJUSTED.
15 SO, MUCH OF WHAT'S IN NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET IS SIMPLY CARRYING
16 THE FULL YEAR COST OF DECISIONS THAT YOU'VE ALREADY MADE OR
17 WE'RE BRINGING MONEY IN THAT PREVIOUSLY HAD BEEN SET ASIDE.
18 BUT THE PRINCIPAL EXPENDITURES ARE IN THESE FIVE AREAS:
19 CUSTODY SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, JUVENILE HALLS AND CAMPS,
20 UNINCORPORATED AREA PATROL, GANG REDUCTION STRATEGIES AND
21 HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, JUST BRIEFLY,
22 YOU ARE VERY FAMILIAR WITH THE PROBLEM THAT THE SHERIFF HAD IN
23 JAILS WITH THE OVERTIME POSITIONS THAT WERE ESTABLISHED BY A
24 PROCESS THAT NO ONE WAS AWARE OF. WE ARE ADDING-- AND, AT THE
25 TIME, WE WERE VERY CLEAR THAT WE DIDN'T NECESSARILY HAVE A



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1 PROBLEM WITH WHAT THEY DID, IT WAS THE WAY THEY DID IT. AND,
2 IN FACT, THEY NEED GENERAL FUND MONEY TO CONTINUE TO FUND THE
3 POSITIONS THAT ARE NEEDED TO PROVIDE THE TITLE 15 COMPLIANCE,
4 RUTHERFORD PANEL REQUIREMENTS AND SAFETY, IMPROVE THE SAFETY
5 IN THE JAILS. SO WE ARE ADDING ALMOST \$20 MILLION OF GENERAL
6 FUND AND 165 POSITIONS TO THE JAILS FOR THAT PURPOSE. SYBIL
7 BRAND, YOU'VE PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED SYBIL BRAND AND PITCHESS.
8 THIS IS BRINGING \$245 MILLION INTO THE BUDGET SO THAT WE CAN
9 MOVE TOWARD CONSTRUCTION OF THOSE TWO PROJECTS. AND THE LAST
10 ONE, TWO YEARS AGO, MAYBE THREE YEARS AGO, YOU SET ASIDE \$17.3
11 MILLION IN THE BUDGET FOR IMPROVEMENT OF UNINCORPORATED AREA
12 LAW ENFORCEMENT AT A TIME WHEN THE SHERIFF WAS ABLE, ACTUALLY,
13 TO FILL THE POSITIONS. PRIORITY WAS THE JAILS. THE SHERIFF
14 NOW, I BELIEVE, I DON'T WANT TO MISREPRESENT WHAT THEY'RE
15 SAYING, AT SOME TIME DURING THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, FEEL THEY
16 WILL BE STAFFED ENOUGH THAT THEY CAN START FILLING THESE
17 POSITIONS. SO WE'RE MOVING THIS MONEY OUT OF RESERVE AND
18 ADDING THE POSITIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT TO IMPROVE LAW
19 ENFORCEMENT IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. ALSO, \$10 MILLION IN
20 CUSTODY, MEDICAL SERVICES. THIS IS AN ISSUE WE WILL REVISIT IN
21 CHANGE-- DURING DELIBERATIONS. ONCE THE MED CENTER, THE NEW
22 HOSPITAL OPENS, THERE WILL NO LONGER BE OUTPATIENT FACILITIES
23 FOR THE SHERIFF. HE NEEDS TO COME UP WITH AN ALTERNATIVE.
24 THAT'S GOING TO COST MONEY. SO THIS \$10 MILLION IS GOING INTO
25 THAT FUNCTION. WE STILL HAVE TO ADDRESS THE COMMITMENT TO



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1 INCREASE JAIL MEDICAL SERVICES GENERALLY, AS WE HAVE IN THE
2 LAST TWO YEARS. SO WE WILL BE BACK IN JUNE WITH AN ADDITIONAL
3 RECOMMENDATION IN THAT AREA. 2.6 MILLION TO FULLY FUND AND
4 OPERATE THE NEW CRIME LAB. THE PICTURE HERE IS OF THE NEW
5 CRIME LAB. IT WILL BE DEDICATED ON THE 11TH OF MAY. IT IS
6 REALLY AN INCREDIBLE, INCREDIBLY SUCCESSFUL EXAMPLE OF
7 MULTIJURISDICTIONAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS
8 ANGELES, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THE
9 CAL STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, AND IT WILL HOUSE THE SHERIFF'S
10 DNA LAB, CRIME LAB, CITY CRIME LAB, DNA CRIME LAB THERE. OUR
11 AREAS OF THE BUILDING, THROUGH THE ENCOURAGEMENT AT THE TIME
12 YOU IMPROVED IT TO SHARE COMMON AREAS IN THE BUILDING. THE CAL
13 STATE/L.A.'S FORENSIC PROGRAM WILL BE IN THE BUILDING AS WELL.
14 IT'S ON TIME, UNDER BUDGET, FUNDED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
15 \$96 MILLION, BY THE STATE UNDER GOVERNOR DAVIS AND ASSEMBLY
16 SPEAKER HERTZBERG AND THE CITY AND THE COUNTY HAVE BOTH
17 ALLOCATED ABOUT \$12 MILLION FOR THE PROJECT. IT IS QUITE AN
18 INCREDIBLE BUILDING AND I HOPE YOU ALL WILL BE ABLE TO COME ON
19 DECEMBER THE 11TH. \$9.1 MILLION IS SIMPLY TO REPLACE THE
20 REVENUE LOST FROM THE STATE CONTRACT. ALMOST ALL OF THE
21 PROBATION AT THIS TIME, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOME POSITIONS
22 FOR GANG, ARE FULLY FUNDING DECISIONS YOU'VE ALREADY MADE. AND
23 WE HAVE SET ASIDE ADDITIONAL MONEY, BOTH ONE-TIME AND ONGOING,
24 IN PFU FOR DELIBERATIONS. WE ARE PROPOSING 6.4 MILLION, 47
25 BUDGETED POSITIONS FOR THE SHERIFF, DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND



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1 PROBATION TO DEAL WITH GANGS. AND I WAS ASKED YESTERDAY IS
2 THAT-- THAT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A LOT OF MONEY TO DEAL WITH
3 GANGS AND THAT'S TRUE. IT ISN'T A LOT OF MONEY TO DEAL WITH
4 GANGS. BY A QUICK ESTIMATE, THE COUNTY IS SPENDING SOMETHING
5 OVER \$50 MILLION CURRENTLY IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO DEAL WITH
6 GANG ISSUES. THIS IS ADDITIVE TO THAT. AND SHOULD IT BE MORE?
7 ABSOLUTELY. THE QUESTION IS, WHAT ARE THE TRADEOFFS? AS ALWAYS
8 IN BUDGETING, THERE ARE TRADEOFFS. INCREASES IN ALTERNATE
9 PUBLIC DEFENDER AND PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR CASELOAD, ADDING
10 800,000 AND 16 POSITIONS TO ANIMAL CONTROL TO DEAL WITH THE
11 CALL CENTER, OVER CALL CENTER BACKLOG AND ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR
12 TRIAL COURTS. I DIDN'T MENTION, ON AN EARLIER CHART, THE
13 COUNTY STILL SENDS \$151 MILLION A YEAR TO THE STATE, WHICH
14 THEY TURN INTO STATE MONEY AND GIVE TO THE COURTS AND TAKE
15 CREDIT FOR FUNDING THE COURTS. THAT DATES BACK TO THE
16 SEPARATION IN '98 BUT WE STILL HELP FUND THE TRIAL COURTS IN
17 CALIFORNIA TO THE TUNE OF \$151 MILLION A YEAR. HEALTH
18 DEPARTMENT, WE WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT
19 LATER SO I JUST-- THIS PICTURE IS OF THE MED CENTER AND
20 ANTICIPATED TO OPEN EARLY NEXT YEAR, THREE BUILDINGS,
21 INPATIENT TOWER, DIAGNOSTIC, OUTPATIENT. YOU CAN SEE JUST THE
22 SCALE, THE GENERAL HOSPITAL IS BEHIND IT. IT IS ONE INCREDIBLE
23 FACILITY THAT, AS YOU MAY RECALL IN 1998, STARTED WITH A
24 POLICY DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD AND IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE NOW
25 THAT WE ARE AT A POINT WHERE THIS BILLION DOLLAR PROJECT WILL



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1 BE OPENING NEXT FISCAL YEAR. WE'RE PROPOSING TO ADD AN
2 ADDITIONAL \$30 MILLION IN GENERAL FUND CONTRIBUTION TO THE
3 HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THIS IS A VERY ILLUSTRATIVE CHARTED, ALSO,
4 ON-- WHEN WE PULLED PUBLIC HEALTH OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT, IT
5 MADE IT REALLY APPARENT WHERE THE MONEY IS BEING SPENT IN THE
6 HEALTH DEPARTMENT. 76 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET IS IN HOSPITALS
7 AND THAT'S WHY IT'S ALWAYS A CHALLENGE EVERY TIME WE ASK THE
8 DEPARTMENT TO TELL US WHEN YOU CUT THE BUDGET, IF YOU HAVE TO
9 CUT THE BUDGET, WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO CUT? KNOWING THAT THAT
10 HOSPITAL SECTION IS INTEGRALLY TIED TO STATE AND FEDERAL
11 FINANCING. AND, EVERY TIME YOU MOVE A DOLLAR, YOU AFFECT MANY
12 OTHER DOLLARS. LITERALLY, THE ONLY PLACE WE SPEND MONEY IN THE
13 HEALTH DEPARTMENT THAT IS ARGUABLY TOTALLY DISCRETIONARY IS IN
14 OUTPATIENT SERVICES AND YOU COULD ELIMINATE ALL OUTPATIENT
15 SERVICES AND NOT SOLVE THE DEFICIT PROBLEM IN THE DEPARTMENT.
16 THE FACT THAT PUBLIC HEALTH WAS IN THE BUDGET REALLY HELPED
17 MASK THE MAGNITUDE OF THE HOSPITAL SHARE OF THE HEALTH BUDGET.
18 MENTAL HEALTH, PRIMARILY MHSA. THEY DID COMPLETE THEIR DEFICIT
19 REDUCTION STRATEGY SUCCESSFULLY. IT WAS A DISCUSSION LAST YEAR
20 SEVERAL TIMES AT THE BOARD. THEY DID COMPLETE THAT AT THE SAME
21 TIME THAT THEY'RE ADDING SIGNIFICANT EXPENDITURES, ALL OF
22 WHICH YOU HAVE SEEN IN MHSA ACT FUNDS. PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTH
23 OUTREACH INITIATIVE, APPROPRIATION INCREASES IN ALCOHOL AND
24 DRUGS. WE'RE ALSO ADDING MONEY IN SALARIES-- WE'RE ADDING
25 MONEY IN SALARIES TO ALL DEPARTMENTS. CHILDREN AND FAMILY



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1 SERVICES SOIP, \$22 MILLION STATE DOLLARS THAT ARE FOR THE
2 PURPOSE, SPECIFICALLY, THE PURPOSE OF REDUCING CASELOADS IN
3 THAT AREA. AND PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE
4 SERVICES, CONTINUES TO BE THE COST DRIVER IN THAT AREA,
5 INCREASE IN SALARIES AND CASELOAD, A SLIGHT DECREASE IN GR.
6 THESE CHARTS REFLECT THE DRAMATIC DIFFERENCE IN THE SOCIAL
7 PROGRAMS OF THE COUNTY. IN PRIOR YEARS, PRIOR YEARS BEING
8 PROBABLY 10 YEARS OR MORE BEFORE, THE TWO PROGRAMS ON THE LEFT
9 WERE THE ONES THAT REALLY MADE IT HARD TO BALANCE COUNTY
10 BUDGET. WELFARE REFORM HAD A DRAMATIC IMPACT AND THIS JUST
11 GOES BACK TO '02. IT'S GREATER THAN THIS REDUCTION IN
12 CASELOAD. INDIGENT GR ALSO HAS STABILIZED IN '02. IT WAS MUCH
13 HIGHER THAN THIS IN '02. WHERE WE SEE CONTINUED GROWTH IS IN
14 IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND THAT IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE
15 AS BABY BOOMERS AGE. AND IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES IS A
16 PROGRAM SPECIFICALLY INTENDED TO KEEP PEOPLE OUT OF NURSING
17 HOMES. IT'S A CHEAPER ALTERNATIVE FOR THE STATE THAN NURSING
18 HOMES. THEY ALSO ARE ABLE TO DRAW DOWN FEDERAL DOLLARS TO HELP
19 PAY FOR THE PROGRAM. HOMELESS AND HOUSING PROGRAM, WE DID NOT
20 ADD ADDITIONAL DOLLARS TO THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE AT THIS
21 TIME. WE ARE ROLLING OVER ABOUT 56 MILLION INTO NEXT YEAR TO
22 CONTINUE THE INITIATIVE APPROVED BY YOUR BOARD LAST YEAR.
23 GENERAL GOVERNMENT, REGIONAL PLANNING, WE'RE ADDING 10 PEOPLE
24 TO REGIONAL PLANNING. THE GENERAL PLAN ZONING ORDINANCES ARE
25 DUE, TIME CONSUMING SO WE ARE-- WE DID AGREE TO ADD POSITIONS,



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1 PROPOSED POSITIONS IN REGIONAL PLANNING. AND, IN 2007/'8, WE
2 WILL HAVE COMPLETED OUR FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM, NINE YEARS LATER,
3 TO WEAN OURSELF OFF OF THE USE OF SURPLUS EARNINGS FOR
4 RETIREMENT PAYMENTS. AND WE STARTED THIS IN 1999, AT A TIME
5 WHEN THE COUNTY WAS USING ONLY SURPLUS EARNINGS TO PAY ITS
6 CONTRIBUTION TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM. WE THOUGHT, IN FIVE
7 YEARS, WE COULD COMPLETE IT. UNFORTUNATELY, DURING THAT TIME,
8 THE MARKET CRASHED. THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM LOST \$4 BILLION. IT
9 INCREASED THE COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTION FROM 500 TO \$800 MILLION A
10 YEAR, OVER \$300 MILLION INCREASE. WE DROPPED TO 82.5 PERCENT
11 FUNDED FROM OVER 100 PERCENT. WE ARE BACK UP TO 90 PERCENT
12 FUNDED, 90.5 PERCENT FUNDED NOW. SO OUR CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE
13 LEVELED OFF AND ACTUALLY DROPPED A LITTLE BIT. BUT, FOR THE
14 FIRST TIME IN 12 YEARS, WE'RE NO LONGER USING SURPLUS EARNINGS
15 TO PAY FOR RETIREMENT COSTS. AND WE HAVE ABOUT \$400 MILLION
16 LEFT, WHICH I'LL TALK ABOUT NOW. THIS IS THE BIG ISSUE THAT
17 WE'RE ALL-- ALL GOVERNMENTS ARE GOING TO BE ADDRESSING-- HAVE
18 FACED WITH OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS AND THAT'S THE GASBY
19 REQUIREMENT THAT, IN '07/'08, ALL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES SHOW ON
20 THEIR BOOKS THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY FOR THE COST OF HEALTHCARE
21 FOR RETIREES. THIS IS VERY DIFFERENT THAN THE RETIREMENT
22 OBLIGATION. HEALTHCARE FOR THE RETIREES. THEY ARE NOT-- WE ARE
23 NOT REQUIRED, AND THE MARKETS ARE NOT REQUIRING US, TO FUND
24 THE OBLIGATION AT THIS TIME. THEY'RE SIMPLY ASKING EVERYONE TO
25 DO AN ACTUARY EVALUATION, RECOGNIZE IT AND REPORT IT. WE, IN



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1 OUR LAST NEGOTIATIONS, KNOWING THAT THIS ISSUE WAS COMING AND
2 THE NUMBER IN LOS ANGELES IS ANTICIPATED TO BE VERY LARGE, WE
3 HAVE OVER 45, 46,000 RETIRED EMPLOYEES, WE HAVE STARTED
4 WORKING WITH THE LABOR UNIONS TO COME UP WITH OPTIONS AND
5 ALTERNATIVES TO EITHER MITIGATE THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY, PUT IN
6 PLACE NEW PLANS FOR NEW EMPLOYEES OR ANY OTHER OPTIONS THAT WE
7 CAN COME UP WITH TO CONTROL WHAT HAS BEEN A COST THAT
8 INCREASES ABOUT 10 PERCENT A YEAR. THE MARKET, THE REASON THAT
9 THE MARKETS AREN'T REQUIRING US TO FUND IT AT THIS TIME OR
10 ANYONE ELSE IS THAT THEY DON'T VIEW MEDICAL CARE THE SAME WAY
11 THEY DO RETIREMENT. RETIREMENT IS A DEFINED OBLIGATION. IT'S A
12 DEFINED PROGRAM. YOU CAN ESTIMATE THE LIFESPAN OF PEOPLE AND
13 YOU CAN CALCULATE EXACTLY WHAT YOU NEED. NO ONE KNOWS WHAT'S
14 GOING TO HAPPEN IN MEDICAL CARE IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS, LET
15 ALONE FIVE YEARS SO THEY'RE MUCH MORE UNDERSTANDING WHEN IT
16 COMES TO THIS BUT THE FIGURES ARE STAGGERING THAT ARE COMING
17 OUT. THE STATE, AS I RECALL, THEIR NUMBER IS SOMETHING IN THE
18 ORDER OF 70-- 60 OR \$70 BILLION FOR THE STATE FOR P.E.R.S. WE
19 ARE-- I AM PROPOSING THAT WE USE THE \$400 MILLION THAT'S LEFT
20 IN THE RESERVE TO-- AND WE HAVEN'T DECIDED THE MECHANISM YET,
21 WE'RE WORKING WITH THE UNIONS TO DO THAT, THE MECHANISM TO
22 DEVELOP A FUNDING MECHANISM, PUT THAT \$400 MILLION TOWARD
23 RETIREE HEALTH AS A DOWN PAYMENT AND PROPOSING A \$17 MILLION
24 ADDITION TO THAT NEXT YEAR AS WE FIGURE OUT THE BEST APPROACH.
25 NOW, REGRETTABLY, IN 1982, I GUESS HINDSIGHT IS ALWAYS 20/20,



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1 IN 1982, THE COUNTY NEGOTIATED AN AGREEMENT WITH LACERA TO
2 TAKE OVER FUNDING OF RETIREE HEALTH. THEY HAD, FOR ABOUT MAYBE
3 SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS, BEEN FUNDING THE PROGRAM THEMSELVES, ONE
4 THEY DEVELOPED AND STARTED AND WERE FUNDING. THE COUNTY AGREED
5 TO TAKE OVER FUNDING THE PROGRAM. THE COUNTY ALSO AGREED THAT
6 THEY WOULD GET STATE LAW PASSED AND SO THERE IS A STATUTE THAT
7 APPLIES ONLY TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT REQUIRES US TO PROVIDE
8 RETIREE HEALTH FOR OUR RETIRED EMPLOYEES AS LONG AS WE PROVIDE
9 HEALTHCARE FOR OUR ACTIVE EMPLOYEES. THERE ARE ADDITIONAL
10 LACERA AGREEMENTS THAT MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT, IF YOU WILL,
11 FOR US TO FIGURE OUT WHAT OUR APPROACH TO RETIREE HEALTH IS,
12 BUT THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE. JUST THROUGH 2010/'11, WE'RE
13 AT 377 MILLION THIS YEAR, 1.7 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET, THAT'S
14 THE RETIREE HEALTH. IN 2027, 20 YEARS FROM NOW, BASED ON THE
15 PROJECTIONS AND THEY'RE ONLY PROJECTIONS, IT WOULD BE ABOUT 5
16 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET. SO, YOU KNOW, I'M NOT READY TO PANIC
17 ABOUT THE COST OF RETIREE HEALTH BUT IT IS A SERIOUS CHALLENGE
18 THAT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS AND ARE DOING SO. BUT, 20 YEARS FROM
19 NOW, ABOUT 5 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET.

20
21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION ON THAT?
22 GO BACK TO THAT SLIDE. WHAT DID YOU SAY? THE '03/'04 WAS AS A
23 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET?



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I SAID THE CURRENT YEAR. THE CURRENT IS
2 1.7 PERCENT.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IT'S A LITTLE OVER \$300
5 MILLION?

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT NOW, IT'S 377 MILLION IN '07/'08, JUST
8 UNDER 400 MILLION.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU SAID IT WILL GO UP TO 5
11 PER...?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 20 YEARS FROM NOW, PROJECT THIS OUT 20 YEARS
14 BECAUSE WHERE ON A PAY AS YOU GO. IF WE DO NOTHING, 20 YEARS
15 FROM NOW, WE PROJECT THAT THAT WILL BE 5 PERCENT OF THE
16 BUDGET.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 20 YEARS. I THOUGHT YOU SAID 2010.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, 20 YEARS. NO, I WANT TO GO OUT LONG ENOUGH
21 THAT WE HAVE PERSPECTIVE ON THIS.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AND IS THAT FACTORING
24 IN THE GROWTH OF THE BUDGET AS WELL?

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, IT IS. AND WE'RE LOOKING AT 2010/'11, THE
2 PENSION BONDS WILL BE PAID OFF IN 2010 AND '11, THAT HAS BEEN
3 MY GOAL FOR YEARS NOW. I DIDN'T THINK I'D BE HERE IN 2010/'11
4 BUT THAT WILL SAVE THE BUDGET ABOUT \$150/200 MILLION A YEAR.
5 SO THAT WILL BE A POSSIBLE FUNDING STREAM SHOULD WE NEED ONE
6 IN THAT AREA. UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF SERVICES, THIS IS
7 SOMETHING WE STARTED DISPLAYING SEVERAL YEARS AGO, THE 1.2
8 MILLION PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, THIS IS
9 WHERE THE CITY MUNICIPAL FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE.
10 IT'S ABOUT 9 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL BUDGET. PERFORMANCE COUNTS.
11 WE HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR SEVERAL YEARS TRYING TO DEVELOP
12 PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR OUR PROGRAMS. SOCIAL SERVICES HAS AN
13 INCREDIBLY SUCCESSFUL STATS PROGRAM THAT WE'RE GOING TO START
14 IN ANIMAL CONTROL. WE'RE ALSO GOING TO SEE HOW EFFECTIVE IT IS
15 IN FLORENCE FIRESTONE TO HELP MEASURE PERFORMANCE, BOTH
16 OPERATIONAL AND OUTCOMES. THIS IS THE CHART THAT I REFERRED TO
17 THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD. THIS WAS DONE BY MARGARET DUNKLE A
18 FEW YEARS AGO. IT HAS BEEN USED IN CONGRESS TO TRY TO HELP
19 THEM UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEXITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS. SHE
20 ACTUALLY HAS A CHART-- THIS SIMPLY SHOWS 40 PROGRAMS THAT
21 MIGHT TOUCH A FAMILY. AND THE LINES, YOU KNOW, HOW DO YOU
22 FIGURE THIS OUT? YOU'RE SITTING THERE, YOU KNOW, IN CHILDREN'S
23 SERVICES DEPARTMENT TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO HELP SOMEONE
24 AND YOU HAVE ALL THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS, FUNDING
25 REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU HAVE TO FIGURE OUT. A CHART ACTUALLY--



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1 SHE DID A CHART ON CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES THAT MAKES THIS
2 LOOK LIKE A SIMPLE CHART. IT IS DRAMATIC HOW MANY FEDERAL
3 COMMITTEES, SUBCOMMITTEES ARE INVOLVED IN CHILDREN AND FAMILY
4 SERVICES. IT IS AN EXTRAORDINARILY COMPLICATED AREA. WE ARE
5 PRODUCING A NEW CHILDREN AND FAMILIES BUDGET THIS YEAR. IT IS
6 VERY SMALL. IT'S ACTUALLY 60 PAGES BUT IT'S EASY READING. I
7 WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK THROUGH THIS BECAUSE IT'S JUST
8 PERFORMANCE MEASURES IN THE FIVE OUTCOMES THAT THE BOARD HAD
9 OPTED IN 1993. IT'S THE BEGINNING OF WHAT I THINK IS GOING TO
10 BE A VERY EXCELLENT DOCUMENT. CAPITAL PROJECTS, SLIGHTLY DOWN
11 FROM CURRENT YEAR, 1.4 BILLION IN THE BUDGET. I THINK ONLY
12 ABOUT \$180 MILLION OF THAT IS PROPOSED TO BE NEW. MOST OF IT
13 IS ALREADY APPROVED OR CARRYOVER. 20 OF THE PROJECTS WILL BE
14 CERTIFIED AT THE SILVER LEVEL OR HIGHER UNDER LEAD. 33
15 PROJECTS WILL INCORPORATE SUSTAINABLE GREEN ELEMENTS. 17
16 PROJECTS INCORPORATE CIVIC ART, PURSUANT TO YOUR POLICY. 400
17 MILLION IN PUBLIC SAFETY. COUNTY BEACHES, PARKS, 228 AND THERE
18 IS A SEPARATE DOCUMENT THAT'S ALMOST AS BIG AS THE PROPOSED
19 BUDGET THAT OUTLINES EVERY SINGLE CAPITAL PROJECT, BY DISTRICT
20 AND LOCATION IN THE COUNTY, THAT'S IN THE BUDGET. ANTELOPE
21 VALLEY ANIMAL SHELTER, NEW ANIMAL SHELTER ADDED \$80 MILLION
22 TOWARD A REPLACEMENT OF THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, PROPOSED
23 TO SET THAT ASIDE. 189 MILLION FOR HARBOR, OLIVE VIEW
24 PROJECTS, INCLUDING MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE CENTER IN OLIVE
25 VIEW. LIBRARY REPLACEMENTS, ACTON, LA CRESCENTA, TOPANGA,



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1 LAWNDALE, EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. AND WE ADDED \$44 MILLION, I
2 THINK, IS THE ESTIMATE FOR RESTORING PATRIOTIC HALL. 100
3 MILLION, FIRE/FLOOD CONTROL, AVIATION. PROPERTY TAX, WE'RE
4 ESTIMATING 6 PERCENT GROWTH. WE HAVE SEEN A SLIGHT DECLINE IN
5 RECEIPTS IN DECEMBER. IT CONTINUED IN APRIL. WE'RE WORKING
6 WITH THE ASSESSOR TO BETTER UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT THAT MEANS
7 BUT WE STILL THINK 6 PERCENT IS A CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE FOR
8 NEXT YEAR. IT HAS BEEN A LITTLE OVER-- BETWEEN 10 AND 11
9 PERCENT. MODEST IMPROVEMENTS IN THE OTHER REVENUE SOURCES.
10 GOVERNOR'S BUDGET, ABOUT \$23 MILLION NET IMPACT. PROP-1A IS
11 ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL TO OUR SURVIVAL, THE PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE
12 TRACKING AND KEEPING THE BOARD INVOLVED IN, THE PRESIDENT'S
13 BUDGET, THE MEDICAID RULE IS THE BIGGEST CONCERN WE HAVE WITH
14 RESPECT TO HEALTH CARE FINANCING BUT WE HAVE SCAP EVERY YEAR.
15 WE HAVE A PROBLEM WITH SCAP COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANTS, ET
16 CETERA, AND WE'LL BE HAVING THOSE DISCUSSIONS NEXT WEEK WHEN
17 WE'RE IN WASHINGTON. AND I JUST DIDN'T WANT YOU TO FORGET THIS
18 FOUNTAIN. (LAUGHTER)

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT COMPLETES THE 50,000-FOOT
21 OVERVIEW. I HAVE PLENTY OF STAFF HERE TO HELP ANSWER YOUR
22 QUESTIONS.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ON THE PATRIOTIC HALL, HOW
25 MUCH WAS IN THERE FOR PATRIOTIC HALL?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 40, I THINK 44 MILLION.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THOUGHT IT WAS 78 MILLION.

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6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THAT ON TOP OF WHAT WAS IN
9 THERE THIS YEAR?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO, NO. IT HASN'T-- IT WASN'T
12 FUNDED THIS YEAR. THIS YEAR, WE FUNDED THE DESIGN. NEXT YEAR
13 WILL BE THE CONSTRUCTION.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW MUCH WAS THAT FOR, DO YOU
16 RECALL?

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** JAN, WHAT WAS THE DESIGN FOR PATRIOTIC HALL?
19 HOW MUCH HAVE WE APPROPRIATED? 3 1/2 MILLION. SO THIS IS
20 CONSTRUCTION.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THIS IS 48?

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THIS IS 42.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY QUESTIONS? WE HAVE
2 SOME PUBLIC COMMENT. DO WE WANT TO DO THE...

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE A QUESTION. GO AHEAD.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. HANG ON A SECOND.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT PAGE WAS THE CAPITAL PROJECT SUMMARY,
9 DAVID, RELATIVE TO THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SAY THAT AGAIN, EXCUSE ME?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT PAGE WAS THE CAPITAL PROJECT SUMMARY
14 RELATIVE TO THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL PROJECTS
15 SUMMARY? OH, PAGE 43? AND THAT'D BE REPLACEMENT, THAT'S ALSO--
16 OR THE REFURBISHMENT, RIGHT? SO IT'S NOT JUST REPLACEMENT. IT
17 COULD BE THE REFURBISHMENT?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. IT'S WHATEVER THE BOARD DECIDES...

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FOR THAT CITY?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S CORRECT. RIGHT.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS BUT I'LL WAIT UNTIL
2 THE...

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO
5 WANTS TO BE HEARD. WHY DON'T WE HEAR FROM THAT MEMBER OF THE
6 PUBLIC AND THEN WE'LL HAVE THE BOARD DISCUSSION. DAVID C.
7 FATHI, IS HE HERE? HE'S NOT HERE. ALL RIGHT. THE PUBLIC
8 HEARING IS CLOSED. OKAY. WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD? MR. KNABE? MS.
9 MOLINA? MR. ANTONOVICH.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** ARE WE JUST GOING TO DO IT BY DEPARTMENT OR JUST
12 OVERALL? I MEAN, I HAD SOME QUESTIONS IN REGARD TO THE DCFS
13 BUDGET.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOWEVER YOU WANT TO DO IT.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE)

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** I AM. I JUST-- SHE WAS GETTING SOME INFORMATION.
20 IN REGARDS TO DCFS, LAST YEAR WE WERE TOLD THAT THE DEPARTMENT
21 WOULD ACHIEVE SUFFICIENT SAVINGS GOING FORWARD TO PAY FOR THE
22 ADDITIONAL 500 PLUS EMPLOYEES THAT WE GAVE TO DCFS AND FOR
23 '06/'07. NOW IT APPEARS IN THIS BUDGET THAT WE'RE BEING TOLD
24 THAT ADDITIONAL NET COUNTY COST IS REQUIRED TO HELP OFFSET THE



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1 COST OF THOSE EMPLOYEES. WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SAVINGS? YOU
2 KNOW, HOW DID WE GET OURSELVES IN THIS SITUATION?

3

4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** I'M SORRY.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** LET ME TRY FIRST, SUPERVISOR, AND THEN HAVE
7 TRISH TELL YOU HOW SHE SEES IT. YOU ARE CORRECT THAT, WHEN THE
8 ADDITIONAL POSITIONS WERE REQUESTED FOR A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS
9 AND STRATEGIES THAT WERE DESIGNED TO REDUCE-- TO MAKE US MORE
10 SUCCESSFUL WITH OUR KIDS, WE ASSUMED THAT THERE WAS ADEQUATE
11 MONEY IN THE BUDGET. BUT IT REALLY WAS IMPACTED BY THIS
12 FEDERAL ISSUE THAT WAS DISCUSSED EARLIER. AND THE REVENUE
13 SHORTFALL THIS YEAR IS BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT ABLE TO DRAW DOWN
14 THE FEDERAL DOLLARS SO IT INCREASED THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND
15 CONTRIBUTION. SO WHAT WE DID IS WE FROZE THOSE-- 50 OF THOSE
16 POSITIONS. WE WOULD HAVE FROZEN ALL OF THEM BUT SHE DIDN'T
17 LIKE THAT. BUT THEY WERE FILLED. WE FROZE THEM TO HELP
18 MINIMIZE THE IMPACT ON THE GENERAL FUND THIS YEAR. SO THE
19 GENERAL FUND THIS YEAR IS ONLY ADDING ABOUT, FOR THAT
20 PARTICULAR PROBLEM, IT SEEMS TO ME, \$8 MILLION. NEXT YEAR,
21 WE'RE ASSUMING THAT THAT PROBLEM IS SOLVED. WE ARE NOT ADDING
22 GENERAL FUND MONEY NEXT YEAR TO SOLVE A SHORTFALL IN FEDERAL
23 MONEY. SO THOSE POSITIONS THAT WERE ADDED, WE'RE NOT FUNDING
24 THOSE. WE'RE FUNDING CASELOAD INCREASE FOR NEXT YEAR.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT PART OF THE 500 PIECE? IT'S CASELOAD
2 INCREASE?

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4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT'S NOT CASELOAD INCREASE. IT IS THE FACT
5 THAT, LAST YEAR, WHEN WE ESTIMATED OUR DECREASE IN CASELOADS,
6 WE OVERESTIMATED SO THERE WAS-- THERE HAS BEEN A DECREASE BUT
7 IT WASN'T AT THE 11 PERCENT THAT WAS ESTIMATED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** HOW MANY VACANCIES DOES YOUR DEPARTMENT HAVE RIGHT
10 NOW?

11

12 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** 713. OF THOSE, 329 WERE THE S.O.I.P. ITEMS
13 THAT YOU HAD ALLOCATED ABOUT A MONTH AGO, MONTH AND A HALF
14 AGO, AND 50 OF THOSE ARE FROZEN. THAT RESULTS IN ABOUT 333
15 ITEMS LEFT VACANT, WHICH IS ABOUT A 6 PERCENT VACANCY RATE,
16 WHICH IS PRETTY COMMON FOR AN AGENCY OUR SIZE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** SORT OF A FOLLOW-UP. AS IT RELATES TO THE NET
19 COUNTY COST, UNDER THIS TITLE 4-E GRANT, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO
20 BE LOCKED INTO? I MEAN, YOU KNOW, I'M BEING TOLD THAT IT WOULD
21 BE CLOSE TO ABOUT 330 MILLION, OF WHICH ABOUT 172 GENERAL FUND
22 AND 156 FROM SALES TAX REALIGNMENT. ARE WE GOING TO BE LOCKED
23 INTO THAT LEVEL, THEN? THAT'S A PRETTY SIGNIFICANT HIT ON NET
24 COUNTY COST.

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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES, OUR ESTIMATE IS, CORRECT, 328 MILLION
2 283 DOLLARS IS WHAT WE ARE ESTIMATING EACH YEAR OF THE WAIVER
3 PROJECT. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT, WITHOUT THE WAIVER, THAT NUMBER
4 WOULD BE HIGHER. WE WOULD BE REQUIRED TO PUT FORTH NET COUNTY
5 COST ON OUR NONFEDERAL CASES AND, WITH THE WAIVER, WE'LL BE
6 COVERING THAT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, QUESTION. OKAY. I'LL LET YOU-- OKAY. I'VE GOT
9 SOME OTHERS. I WILL RELEASE FOR SOME OTHERS...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. MOLINA THEN MR. ANTONOVICH
12 THEN MS. BURKE.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** DAVID, ON THIS ISSUE ON CHILDREN, REMEMBER LAST
15 YEAR I HELD UP THIS THING AND YOU SAID WE WERE GOING TO GET
16 THESE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS ON HERE? AND I SAID THEN WHY IS
17 CHILDREN'S SERVICES SAY, "NOT APPLICABLE, NOT APPLICABLE"?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU SAID YOU PROMISED YOU WOULD FILL IT IN THIS
22 YEAR.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IS IT NOT FILLED IN?

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT SAYS NOT APPLICABLE.

2

3 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT IS...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE HERE THIS
6 YEAR.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S IT. I FORGOT ABOUT THAT. (LAUGHTER)

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I TAKE THAT FOUNTAIN NAME BACK. YOU PROMISED THAT
11 THIS WOULD BE FILLED OUT. (LAUGHTER)

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** PLANNING ON SKIPPING TOWN-- YOU DON'T PUT PAGE
14 NUMBERS ON YOUR BUDGET.

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WHAT PAGE ARE YOU ON? THERE ARE NO PAGE
17 NUMBERS?

18

19 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT'S FAMILY SUPPORT.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO PAGE NUMBERS ON YOUR BUDGET.

22

23 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** I THINK IT'S 14 POINT SOMETHING.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND IT'S CALLED 14.5.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 14.5.

3

4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT'S THE FAMILY SUPPORT ITEMS AND, SUPERVISOR
5 MOLINA, YOU ARE 100 PERCENT RIGHT. THERE IS NO EXCUSE FOR IT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW I'M 100 PERCENT RIGHT. THAT'S WHY I'M
8 HOLDING DAVID JANSSEN ACCOUNTABLE.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SHE'S ALWAYS RIGHT. SHE'S NEVER WRONG. (
11 LAUGHTER)

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

14

15 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** BASICALLY, WHAT IT MEANS IS THAT, WHEN WE PUT
16 THAT INFORMATION IN BACK IN NOVEMBER, MY STAFF DIDN'T SUBMIT
17 THE INFORMATION THAT THEY SHOULD HAVE. THERE IS NO AUTOMATED
18 TRACKING SYSTEM FOR IT SO THEY WERE KEEPING THOSE RECORDS BY
19 HAND. AND I WILL GATHER THAT INFORMATION AND RESUBMIT IT BUT
20 IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN IN THERE.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN THE STRATEGIC PLAN?

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** DO WE HAVE IT?

25



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1 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** WE HAVE SOME OF IT.

2

3 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SOME OF IT. SO WE'LL SUBMIT IT FOR
4 DELIBERATIONS.

5

6 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU GOING TO BE GONE BY DELIBERATIONS? IS THAT
9 THE ISSUE HERE NOW? (LAUGHTER)

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, BECAUSE I REMEMBER I ASKED THAT QUESTION LAST
12 YEAR.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT, YOU'RE RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** WITH REGARD TO, AGAIN, THE ISSUE OF THE
17 ASSESSMENTS, OUR CONCERN AGAIN IS, IF WE FALL BACK BEHIND,
18 WHAT IS THAT-- WHERE IS THAT GOING TO LEAVE US?

19

20 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** WELL FIRST OF ALL, THAT'S NOT AN OPTION AS
21 FAR AS I'M CONCERNED; HOWEVER, SHOULD...

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT YOU KNOW IT'S LIKE
24 ANYTHING ELSE. I'M SURE IT WASN'T DAVID'S OPTION NOT TO HAVE
25 THIS THING BUT IT HAPPENS AROUND HERE A LOT.



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2 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THAT'S TRUE. HOWEVER, SHOULD...

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IF WE DON'T HAVE THE MONEY IN THE BUDGET FOR
5 IT, THEN WE HAVE A PROBLEM. RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE TAKING A VERY
6 AMBITIOUS APPROACH AND I APPRECIATE THAT. SO I'M JUST
7 CONCERNED.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** LET ME SAY THE DIFFERENCE THIS YEAR IS LAST
10 YEAR, NOBODY WAS TRACKING IT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THEY'RE TRACKING IT YET.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, THEY'RE TRACKING IT NOW.

15

16 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES, WE ARE.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND IT CAME MID YEAR AND ALL OF A SUDDEN THERE
19 WAS A SHORTFALL. NEXT YEAR, WE'RE GOING TO KNOW AS WE GO
20 WHETHER WE'RE FALLING SHORT AND, IF THERE ARE REVENUE
21 SHORTFALLS, THAT MEANS SHE WILL HAVE MORE FROZEN POSITIONS IN
22 HER DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU SEE THAT WORKS AGAINST US IS WHAT I'M
25 CONCERNED ABOUT.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THERE HAS TO BE SOME INCENTIVE FOR HER
3 TO ACTUALLY DO WHAT SHE'S PROMISED TO DO, ALSO. AND IF SHE'S--
4 I MEAN SHE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR LIVING WITHIN HER BUDGET,
5 PERIOD.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I GUESS THAT'S THE QUESTION I'M ASKING. I
8 MEAN, I APPRECIATE THAT SHE'S BEING VERY ASSERTIVE ABOUT WHAT
9 SHE'S GOING TO DO AND THE COMMITMENT THAT SHE'S MAKING BUT I'M
10 WONDERING IF THAT'S OVERLY AMBITIOUS, CONSIDERING HOW FAR
11 BEHIND WE'VE BEEN. I APPRECIATE YOU WANTING TO DO THAT BUT I
12 DON'T WANT US TO GET STUCK BECAUSE, IN THE LONG RUN, IT HURTS
13 US BOTH WAYS. WE LOSE FEDERAL MONEY AND WE DON'T GET TO GOAL
14 FOR OUR KIDS IN CREATING A SECURITY PROBLEM. THAT'S WHY I
15 GUESS I'M ASKING THE QUESTION. IS IT TOO AMBITIOUS A GOAL? I
16 THINK IT SAYS THE DEADLINE ON HERE WAS JUNE 30TH.

17

18 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CORRECT. IT IS A VERY AMBITIOUS GOAL.
19 HOWEVER, I HAVE ABOUT 25 VERY DEDICATED MANAGERS WHO HAVE ALL
20 COME FORTH AND SAID THAT THEY WILL PUT FORTH-- THESE ARE THE
21 OFFICE HEADS THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE DEPARTMENT-- THEY WILL PUT
22 FORTH WHATEVER RESOURCES THEY NEED TO, TO ENSURE THAT THIS IS,
23 INDEED, CLEANED UP BY JUNE 30TH.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HOPE IT'S NOT THE SAME ONES WHO DIDN'T FILL IN
2 THESE...

3

4 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** I CERTAINLY HOPE NOT. (LAUGHTER)

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE LAST THING IS ON CASELOADS. WE HAVE, I THINK
7 THE CASELOAD NUMBER NOW, AS I AM TOLD IS 22.4, IS THAT
8 CORRECT?

9

10 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THAT'S AN AVERAGE. IF YOU LOOK AT ALL THE
11 SOCIAL WORKERS ACROSS THE BOARD, THEY AVERAGE ANYWHERE FROM 11
12 FOR DEPENDENCY INVESTIGATORS UP INTO THE 30S FOR CASE CARRYING
13 SOCIAL WORKERS.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND, AGAIN, YOU LOOK AT A STANDARD AND THIS IS AN
16 AVERAGE AND THE AVERAGE I GUESS IS WHAT WE NEED UNDER OUR
17 YARDSTICK FOR THE MOST PART, IS THAT WHAT IT'S CALLED?

18

19 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** YES, YARDSTICK.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE STATE YARDSTICK. AND, ON THE ELIGIBILITY
22 CASELOADS, THEY'RE MUCH HIGHER.

23

24 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THAT'S RIGHT.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND ALL OF THAT HAS TO DO BECAUSE THERE ISN'T AS
2 MUCH INTENSE WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE ON THAT LEVEL AND
3 THEY'RE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS YARDSTICK?

4

5 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** THEY ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THAT NUMBER AND IT'S
6 A TOTALLY DIFFERENT JOB. THEY ARE DOING FINANCIAL WORK.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT'S JUST A CHECK OFF SYSTEM?

9

10 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT'S A COMPLETELY-- WELL, IT'S A LITTLE MORE
11 COMPLICATED THAN THAT BUT THEY CAN HANDLE MANY MORE CASES THAN
12 A CASE CARRYING SOCIAL WORKER. THEY ARE WORKING AT THEIR DESK
13 DOING PAPERWORK AND COMPUTER WORK.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. SO WE ARE INCREASING THE NUMBER OF WORKERS,
16 RIGHT?

17

18 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** 14 FOR EWS, YES.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO IS THAT GOING TO CHANGE THIS CASELOAD
21 NUMBER SOMEWHAT OR HOW ARE YOU GOING TO USE THAT MONEY?

22

23 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** IT WILL CHANGE THE CASELOAD NUMBER FOR THE
24 ELIGIBILITY WORKERS. IT WON'T AFFECT DIRECTLY FOR THE CSWS,
25 FOR THE SOCIAL WORKERS.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT NUMBER IS GOING TO COME DOWN? THE ONE,
3 IT'S RIGHT NOW, SO IT'S 482?

4

5 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CORRECT, THAT WILL COME DOWN.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU DON'T KNOW TO WHAT, THOUGH?

8

9 **>PATRICIA PLOEHN:** CURRENTLY, WHAT WE'VE GOT IS WE ARE FUNDED
10 AT ABOUT 75 PERCENT CAPACITY, THE ADDITIONAL 14 WORKERS BRINGS
11 US TO ABOUT 78 PERCENT. WE'LL PROBABLY BRING THEM DOWN INTO
12 THE AREA OF ABOUT 400 CASES.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THOSE WERE MY QUESTIONS ON THAT. AND
15 YOU'RE GOING TO PROMISE TO GET ME THIS BY WHEN? THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** QUESTION. YOUR BUDGET INCLUDES AN INCREASE OF
20 A MILLION DOLLARS TO THE CHILDREN'S FAMILY COUNCIL. WHAT
21 SPECIFICALLY IS THAT GOING TO BE USED FOR DELIVERABLES?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE CHILDREN'S PLANNING
24 COUNCIL?

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH.

2

3 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** LET ME SEE IF I CAN FIND IT IN THE BUDGET,
4 FIRST OF ALL. THEIR BUDGET IS COMPOSED OF PRIVATE DONATIONS,
5 OF FIRST FIVE, A PREVIOUS COMMITMENT OF FIRST FIVING AND A
6 REASONABLY SMALL AMOUNT OF GENERAL FUNDS. AS I RECALL, IT WAS
7 YOLI'S-- THE NEED TO MAINTAIN ESSENTIALLY, THE INFRASTRUCTURE
8 THAT'S THERE WITH ALL OF THE PLANNING COUNCILS AND THE
9 INITIATIVES THAT THEY HAVE GOING, THEIR REQUEST, AS I RECALL,
10 OF THE COUNTY WAS ABOUT \$3 MILLION. WE'RE SUPPORTING AN
11 AUGMENTATION OF A MILLION THAT WOULD RAISE THE COUNTY
12 CONTRIBUTION TO ABOUT 2.4 MILLION. I CAN'T GIVE YOU-- SOMEBODY
13 BACK HERE MAYBE WILL GIVE YOU THE DELIVERABLES BUT WE
14 CERTAINLY CAN MAKE THAT AVAILABLE TO YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE YOU GOING TO BACKFILL ANY OF THE FIRST
17 FIVE CUTS?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I THINK PART OF HER-- I'M NOT GOING TO ANSWER
20 THAT. I'M NOT SURE. I KNOW WE HAD TO-- ABSOLUTELY, WE HAD THAT
21 DISCUSSION. IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE FIRST FIVE MONEY WAS BEING
22 USED FOR AND THEN WHAT HER PRIORITIES ARE AND THE COMMISSION'S
23 PRIORITIES BUT WE'LL GIVE THAT TO YOU NEXT WEEK.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, THE SHERIFF SUBMITTED HIS ASSESSMENT OF
2 THE PATROL NEEDS OF \$44 MILLION FOR THE 220 POSITIONS HE
3 REQUESTED. YOUR BUDGET IS ONLY RECOMMENDING 105 POSITIONS.

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THERE'S STILL A CONCERN RELATIVE TO THE
8 UNINCORPORATED AREAS RELATIVE TO 911 RESPONSE CALLS. SO, FOR
9 THE RECORD, CAN YOU STATE THAT YOUR PLAN IS TO FUND THE
10 REMAINING PATROL POSITIONS DESPERATELY NEEDED IN THE
11 UNINCORPORATED AREAS?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I CAN'T. IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, THAT
14 REALLY IS A DECISION OF YOUR BOARD AND IT OBVIOUSLY IS HOW
15 MUCH MONEY DO WE HAVE TO DO WHAT. THE SHERIFF'S TOTAL REQUEST
16 THIS YEAR WAS, FOR GENERAL FUND MONEY, \$1.8 BILLION. WE'RE
17 BUDGETED AT \$963 MILLION. WE'RE AUGMENTING IT BY \$150 MILLION.
18 SO I'M NOT SURE-- DO YOU HAVE A NUMBER ATTACHED TO THAT?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 220 POSITIONS IS 44 MILLION AND YOU'RE
21 SUGGESTING \$17 MILLION.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 44 MILLION AND WE'RE FUNDING ONLY 12. RIGHT.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$27 MILLION.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE THAT
3 DISCUSSION IN DELIBERATIONS AND MAKE SURE IT'S ON THE TABLE.
4 I'M NOT SURE WHERE THE MONEY WOULD COME FROM BUT THAT'S A
5 DISCUSSION FOR JUNE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE'RE GOING TO ENHANCE THAT DURING BUDGET
8 TALKS?

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE SHERIFF CREATED OVER 285 POSITIONS TO
13 RESPOND TO SECURITY CONCERNS IN OUR JAILS BUT YOUR BUDGET ONLY
14 RECOMMENDS FUNDING 165 OF THOSE 285 POSITIONS. WHY WOULD YOU
15 EXCLUDE A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE JAIL STAFF, INCLUDING
16 THOSE RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WHICH WE'VE
17 HAD EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH AND LEGAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
18 FEDERAL JUDGE ON?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I ASSUME ON THE LATTER, YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
21 THE MEDICAL SERVICES PORTION AND I INDICATED IN MY
22 PRESENTATION WE WILL REVISIT THAT IN DELIBERATIONS. WE DO NEED
23 TO CONTINUE OUR COMMITMENT IN THAT AREA.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WE'LL EXPRESS-- I MEAN, THAT'S A WORKING
2 NUMBER, THEN? WE'RE MOVING?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. NO, WE'LL ADD ANOTHER SEVERAL MILLION
5 DOLLARS FOR MEDICAL. ON THE OTHER, I KNOW THAT WE WENT THROUGH
6 ALL OF THE POSITIONS REQUESTED BY THE SHERIFF FOR THE JAILS.
7 THE SIMPLE ANSWER IS WE DIDN'T FEEL THAT THEIR REQUEST FOR ALL
8 OF THOSE POSITIONS WAS JUSTIFIED SO WE'VE-- WE FUNDED THE
9 ONES...

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUTSIDE OF THE MEDICAL ONES.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OUTSIDE THE MEDICAL.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE POSITION THAT...

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THIS IS JUST IN THE JAILS. THE PHANTOM
18 POSITIONS, IF YOU WILL.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...IN RESPONSE TO THE OVERCROWDEDNESS IN THE
21 JAILS?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE WERE COMFORTABLE WITH SUPPORTING THE
24 ADDITION OF ALMOST \$20 MILLION FOR THOSE POSITIONS, NOT ALL OF
25 THEM.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE DISCUSSIONS THAT ARE GOING ON WITH
3 THE FEDERAL JUDGE RELATIVE TO...

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THOSE ARE ALL FUNDED.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THOSE ARE ALL GOING TO BE FUNDED?

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES. IS THAT RIGHT? I DON'T WANT TO MISSTATE
10 ON THE RUTHERFORD.

11

12 **PATRICIA PLOEHN:** ...THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED...

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** FOR RUTHERFORD. YES.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND MORE WILL BE FORTHCOMING AS THOSE
17 DISCUSSIONS CONTINUE?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES. WHATEVER WE NEED TO DO, WE'LL DO.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROPOSED BUDGET SETS ASIDE \$47 MILLION
22 FOR THE NEEDS OF PROBATION. SO IS THERE A PLAN TO CONSIDER
23 ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR ADULT SUPERVISION AND REPLACEMENT
24 SERVICES?

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT I BELIEVE WAS REFERRED TO BUDGET
2 DELIBERATIONS ON YOUR MOTION, SO THE ANSWER IS YES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LAST YEAR, WE HAD A RECORD SETTING HEAT WAVE
5 AND ELECTRICITY WENT OUT IN MANY PORTIONS OF OUR COUNTY, WHICH
6 LEFT OUR SENIOR CITIZENS VERY VULNERABLE, SOME ENDING UP
7 SERIOUSLY ILL AND SOME DIED. ISD NOW IS SENDING US A MEMO THAT
8 IT WILL COST APPROXIMATELY \$200,000 PER SITE TO CREATE COOLING
9 CENTERS THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. HOW MANY COOLING CENTERS HAVE
10 YOU EITHER INSTALLED OR WILL PLAN TO INSTALL IN THIS COMING
11 BUDGET?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'LL DOUBLE CHECK BUT WE DIDN'T BELIEVE THAT
14 IT WAS PART OF THE PRIORITY PROGRAMS PROPOSED BY THE
15 DEPARTMENT BUT WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THAT AGAIN, ALSO, BY
16 DELIBERATIONS, SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT AMOUNT OF THE GENERAL FUND IS GOING INTO
19 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES THAT IS OVER AND ABOVE THE
20 MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIRED BY STATE AND FEDERAL
21 GOVERNMENT?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT FOR THE HEALTH
24 DEPARTMENT IS \$453 MILLION. THE TOTAL LOCAL CONTRIBUTION IS
25 \$666 MILLION. SO IT WOULD BE A \$213 MILLION, APPROXIMATELY.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IS THERE A PLAN TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF
3 GENERAL FUNDS TO THE MOE AMOUNT?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO, ON ONE HAND, THE STATE AND FEDERAL
8 GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSIBLE THE HEALTH BUDGET, EXCLUDING MOES,
9 AND THE COUNTY IS BASICALLY 100 PERCENT RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLIC
10 SAFETY. AND WHAT WE'RE TAKING IS 2 TO \$300,000-- EXCUSE ME, 2
11 TO \$300 MILLION THAT WOULD MAKE THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION
12 DEPARTMENT WHOLE.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I UNDERSTAND. YOUR POINT IS TAKEN. ALL RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. WITH THE GROWTH IN THE COUNTY'S BUDGET,
17 YOUR PROJECTIONS FOR A PROPERTY TAX GROWTH WAS TOO HIGH FOR
18 THE FIRST TIME IN EIGHT YEARS, WHERE YOU HAD PROJECTED 10
19 PERCENT GROWTH AND WE ENDED UP WITH AN 8.5 PERCENT. SO...

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, THAT'S NOT TRUE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DR. GLASGOW, WHAT?

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'VE NEVER OVERESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX GROWTH.
2 WE HAVE UNDERESTIMATED IT BUT NEVER OVERESTIMATED IT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, WELL, MY FIGURES HAVE 10 PERCENT AND
5 THE ACTUAL GROWTH WAS 8.5 PERCENT.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT DEPENDS ON-- I MEAN, THESE ARE PERCENTAGES,
8 AGAIN. IF YOU LOOK BUDGET TO BUDGET, YOU GET ONE PERCENTAGE.
9 IF YOU LOOK ACTUAL TO BUDGET, YOU GET A DIFFERENT PERCENTAGE.
10 IF YOU LOOK PROPOSED, YOU GET THE IDEA. SO FROM ESTIMATED
11 ACTUAL TO PROPOSED IS 6 PERCENT. BUDGET TO BUDGET, IT'S ALMOST
12 10 1/2 PERCENT AND THEN YOU BACK UP INTO DIFFERENT
13 PERCENTAGES. SO WE HAVE NEVER, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, WE
14 HAVE NEVER OVERESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX GROWTH SINCE I'VE BEEN
15 HERE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE BUDGET IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION
18 ON FUNDING PUBLIC SAFETY IF WE HAVE THIS ONGOING DISCUSSION
19 FOR ADDITIONS DURING THE JUNE OR JULY...

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** JUNE 18TH.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUNE 18TH BUDGET, FINAL BUDGET ADOPTION. BUT,
24 AMONG THOSE, YOU KNOW, THOSE UNMET NEEDS THAT WILL BE
25 ADDRESSED AT THAT TIME, THE PROPOSED BUDGET FUNDS 165 OUT OF



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1 285 POSITIONS TO FULLY FUND THE JAILS, THE REQUEST FOR 109
2 POSITIONS TO EXPAND JAIL BEDS AND YET WE DID NOT RECEIVE THE
3 FUNDING FOR THAT EXPANSION. AND THE SHERIFF HAD REQUESTED 5.9
4 MILLION FOR A CRIME ASSESSMENT CENTER AND THAT HAS NOT BEEN
5 FUNDED. ON PROBATION, ONLY 20 PERCENT OF THE PROBATIONERS ARE
6 SUBJECT TO SEARCH AND ARE SEARCHED EACH YEAR, WHICH MEANS 90
7 PERCENT OF THE 20 PERCENT THAT ARE SEARCHED ARE IN VIOLATION.
8 THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS AN ADDITIONAL 50 PROBATION OFFICERS FOR
9 THE SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAMS AND I KNOW, FROM MY COMMUNICATIONS
10 WITH OUR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND WITH STUDENTS WHEN I VISIT
11 THE VARIOUS CAMPUSES, THAT IS ONE OF THEIR PRIORITIES. AND,
12 WITH THE TRAGEDY THAT OCCURRED YESTERDAY, WHICH IS BEYOND ANY
13 COMPREHENSION, INDICATES THE NEED FOR SECURITY ON OUR
14 CAMPUSES, BE IT SECONDARY, ELEMENTARY OR UNIVERSITY LEVEL. THE
15 DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS 45 CRITICAL POSITIONS THAT HAVEN'T-- ARE
16 NOT BEING FUNDED IN THIS BUDGET AND LIBRARIES REQUESTED, THEY
17 HAVE A VERY AMBITIOUS BUDGET OF \$1 BILLION AND ARE RECEIVING
18 \$128 MILLION. SOME LIBRARY COMPUTERS ARE 10 YEARS AND OLDER
19 AND \$11 MILLION WOULD BRING THOSE COMPUTER PROGRAMS UP TO
20 DATE. LET ME JUST ASK, BEACHES AND HARBOR HAVE DONE A SUPERB
21 JOB IN BARGAINING WITH...

22
23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE, CAN I-- I THINK, UNLESS YOU
24 HAVE QUESTIONS FOR TRISH, WE'LL LET HER GO. OKAY.



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...HAVE DONE A SUPERB JOB IN PARTNERING WITH
2 THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND I BELIEVE IT'S TOYOTA ON THE BEACHES
3 WITH THE VEHICLES. IS THERE A MEANS FOR THE LIBRARIES TO
4 PARTNER WITH SOME OF THE COMPUTER FIRMS, RELATIVE TO UPGRADING
5 OUR LIBRARY COMPUTER SERVICE? SOME TYPE OF A PUBLIC/PRIVATE
6 PARTNERSHIP?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE LIBRARY HAS A FOUNDATION. I'M NOT SURE IF
9 MARGARET'S HERE BUT THE ANSWER, I THINK, OUGHT TO BE YES. THE
10 LIBRARY DOES HAVE A FOUNDATION BUT WE'RE ALWAYS OPEN TO ANY
11 KIND OF PUBLIC/PRIVATE...

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE TOYOTA CAME IN-- IT IS TOYOTA, ISN'T
14 IT? THE BEACHES?

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE BETTER BE SURE BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO
17 GIVE THEM CREDIT IF IT'S NOT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OR NISSAN? WHO'S-- THE AUTOMOTIVE COMPANY
20 THAT HELPS US WITH THE BEACHES? THEY GAVE US THE VEHICLES.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THEY JUST GOT A FREE PLUG IF THEY DIDN'T
23 SO...

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IF WE HAD, LIKE, HEWLETT PACKARD OR DEL
2 OR ONE OF THE OTHER COMPANIES...

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT, COME IN AND WORK WITH THE...

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...HAVE-- IBM. PERHAPS THEY COULD ADOPT, AS
7 WE ADOPT A HIGHWAY, ADOPT A LIBRARY...

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** APPLE-- RIGHT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...AND-- BUT, ANYWAY, THOSE ARE SOME OF MY
12 CONCERNS. AS LONG AS WE'RE MOVING FORWARD IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY
13 AND THESE ISSUES THAT WE RAISED TODAY, AND YOU INDICATED THAT
14 WE'LL HAVE THE ABILITY TO ENHANCE THOSE AT THE BUDGET TIME,
15 I'LL GO ALONG WITH THE PROPOSED BUDGET WITH THAT UNDERSTANDING
16 BUT HOLD MY FINAL SUPPORT AT THE TIME THAT THE BUDGET IS UP
17 FOR THE FINAL VOTE. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MS. BURKE?

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** I WON'T GO IN THROUGH ALL THE QUESTIONS I HAVE
22 HERE, I'LL JUST ASK A FEW OF THEM. ON THE MENTAL HEALTH AND
23 THE REDUCTION OF POSITIONS IN ONE PLACE AND THEN THERE'S AN
24 INCREASE IN TERMS OF POSITIONS IN ANOTHER AREA OF THAT MENTAL
25 HEALTH BUDGET, WHICH I WASN'T SURE EXACTLY IN ALL OF THIS



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1 REALLOCATION, IS THE PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY SERVICES, ARE THEY
2 REDUCED AS PART OF THIS?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, NOT THAT I'M AWARE OF AND AND LET ME
5 CAUTION...

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE WILL BE NO CLOSING, THEN, OF ANY OF THE
8 PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY...?

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THAT'S A DIFFERENT QUESTION.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S MY QUESTION.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S A DIFFERENT QUESTION.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, MY QUESTION IS, IF THAT'S BEING CONSIDERED,
17 IS IT...

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IN THE REDUCTIONS, NO, NOT AS PART OF THIS
20 BUDGET.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. IT'S NOT-- AS PART OF THIS BUDGET, THERE IS
23 NO ASSUMPTION THAT THERE WOULD BE A CLOSING OF ANY OF THE
24 PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCIES?

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT IS CORRECT BUT WE DO PLAN TO HAVE THAT
2 DISCUSSION IN DELIBERATIONS.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WE'LL DISCUSS IT IN DELIBERATIONS.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** WILL IT AFFECT-- IT WILL HAVE NO AFFECT IN TERMS
9 OF THESE NUMBERS?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT WILL BE THE FINANCIAL EFFECT OF THAT
14 DISCUSSION? WHAT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I BELIEVE WE'RE TALKING-- AND BRUCE CAN ANSWER
17 THIS WHEN HE COMES UP. IT SEEMS TO ME WE'RE TALKING ABOUT \$42
18 MILLION?

19

20 **SPEAKER:** 45.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I WASN'T TOO FAR OFF. ABOUT \$45 MILLION IS THE
23 DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH ON THE COST OF
24 PROVIDING PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. NOW,
25 THE IRONY OF HEALTH BUDGETING IS THAT 45 MILLION TRANSLATES



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1 INTO ONLY A \$12 MILLION SAVINGS IF ALL OF THE PSYCH EMERGENCY
2 ROOMS WERE CLOSED, I THINK IT WAS \$12 MILLION. BUT THAT IS NOT
3 AN ISSUE WE WERE PREPARED TO TAKE ON AS PART OF PROPOSED BUT,
4 IN LOOKING AT HOW WE SOLVE THE ONGOING CONTINUED STRUCTURAL
5 PROBLEM IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, I DO NOT BELIEVE ANYTHING
6 CANNOT BE ON THE TABLE. EVERYTHING HAS TO BE ON THE TABLE,
7 INCLUDING WHO PROVIDES EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR PSYCH PATIENTS.
8 WELL, WE'VE-- I DON'T WANT TO SPEND A LOT OF TIME BUT, OVER
9 THE YEARS, BECAUSE THE COUNTY PROVIDES ITS OWN HEALTH SYSTEM,
10 WE HAVE FOUND, IN PROBATION, ANYWHERE THAT THE HEALTH-- IN
11 PSYCH EMERGENCY ROOMS, ANYWHERE-- SHERIFF, WE HAVE THIS ISSUE
12 WITH OUTPATIENT IN SHERIFF, THE DEPARTMENT'S GOT USED TO THE
13 HEALTH DEPARTMENT BEING AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES
14 BECAUSE WE PROVIDE HOSPITAL SERVICES. YEARS AND YEARS AGO, WE
15 HEAR, SOMEBODY MADE AN AGREEMENT THAT WE'LL TRANSFER X AMOUNT
16 OF DOLLARS, YOU PROVIDE SERVICES FOREVER AND IT'S NOT
17 REVISITED. OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, WE'VE HAD TO ADD MONEY
18 TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET, FOR EXAMPLE, BECAUSE THE
19 HEALTH DEPARTMENT COST FAR EXCEEDED WHAT PROBATION WAS PAYING.
20 WE HAVE THIS NOW WITH THE SHERIFF, WITH THE \$10 MILLION
21 OUTPATIENT PROBLEM. THEY WERE ABLE TO USE THE HEALTH
22 DEPARTMENT BEFORE, DIDN'T PAY THEM FOR THE SERVICE, IT WAS
23 PART OF THE DEFICIT AND NOW THAT IT'S BEING SURFACED, IT'S
24 ADDITIONAL COST TO US. THE PSYCH EMERGENCY AND THE FIGHT, THE
25 ARGUMENT/DISCUSSION BETWEEN HEALTH AND MENTAL IS THE SAME WAY



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1 AND IT'S A QUESTION OF HOW MUCH DO THE SERVICES COST? IS THERE
2 A BETTER WAY TO DO IT? AND THE SYSTEM IN LOS ANGELES, OVER THE
3 YEARS, HAS DEVOLVED TO ONE WHERE INDIGENT PATIENTS OR MENTAL
4 HEALTH PATIENTS ARE ALL TAKEN TO OUR HOSPITALS. THE PRIVATE
5 SECTOR IS NOT, AS THEY DO IN OTHER COUNTIES WHERE THERE ARE NO
6 PUBLIC HOSPITALS, ABSORBING ANY OF THESE PATIENTS OR THE
7 COSTS. THEY'RE ALL COMING TO THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. SO, AS WE
8 PEEL BACK HOW THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS FUNDING, HOW IT
9 OPERATES, WHAT THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS IS, WE'RE RUNNING INTO
10 ALL OF THESE CHALLENGES AND THIS ONE IS A BIG ONE. THERE'S NO
11 QUESTION. IF WE CLOSE ALL OF OUR PSYCH EMERGENCY ROOMS, IT
12 WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT BUT WE DO NEED TO DO SOMETHING
13 IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO FIX THE STRUCTURAL PROBLEM. BUT
14 DELIBERATIONS-- BETWEEN NOW AND DELIBERATIONS, AND WE'RE NOT
15 GOING TO SPRING IT ON YOU, THIS IS A BIG ISSUE.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WHILE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HEALTH, I NOTICE ON HERE
18 THE-- MANAGED CARE IS ABOUT 132 MILLION. DOES THAT INCLUDE THE
19 GENERAL RELIEF PATIENTS WHO WERE PART OF MANAGED CARE OR...?

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I BELIEVE THAT'S SEPARATE.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S SEPARATE?

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.



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1

2 **SUP. BURKE:** DOES CHP BRING IN-- I ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD IT WAS A
3 HEAVY REVENUE PRODUCER SO HOW MUCH DOES CHP BRING IN.

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'LL LET DR. CHERNOF-- THEY DO PRODUCE
6 REVENUE. I DON'T KNOW IF HEAVY IS THE RIGHT WORD BUT HE'LL BE
7 ABLE TO ANSWER THAT WHEN WE GO INTO THE HEALTH BUDGET. LET'S--
8 THERE HE COMES.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** IS IT A PROFIT CENTER?

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IF ANYTHING COULD BE IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
13 I GUESS.

14

15 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISORS, DR. BRUCE CHERNOF. SUPERVISOR
16 BURKE, TO YOUR QUESTION, I'M NOT SURE I WOULD DESCRIBE IT AS A
17 HEAVY PROFIT OR HEAVY REVENUE CENTER BUT IT DOES GENERATE
18 ABOUT \$16 MILLION IN PROFIT EACH YEAR TO THE DEPARTMENT.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** AND IS THAT OFFSET IN THIS MANAGED CARE, 132
21 MILLION? OR IS THAT TREATED SOMEWHERE ELSE?

22

23 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, IT'S-- THE MANAGED CARE--
24 ALLAN, YOU MIGHT WANT TO...

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'M NOT SURE. WHAT ARE YOU REFERRING TO?

2

3 **SUP. BURKE:** ON PAGE 21, WE HAVE MANAGED CARE AT 132 MILLION.

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 21 OF? OF THE PRESENTATION? I THINK THAT'S THE
6 RATE INCREASE.

7

8 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** OKAY.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT-- THE ANSWER IS NO, THAT THAT \$16 MILLION
11 IS USED AS-- IN THE SAME FASHION THAT NET COUNTY COST IS IT.
12 IT HELPS FUND THEIR BUDGET. THE MANAGED CARE ISSUE IS TOTALLY
13 DIFFERENT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT BECAUSE THERE HAVE BEEN SOME
16 ISSUES IN THE LAST YEAR IN TERMS OF THE ARRANGEMENT, AS FAR AS
17 L.A. CARE, WHAT THE IMPACT WOULD BE ON US AND...

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT IS WHAT THIS ISSUE IS. WE'RE SURFACING IT
20 AS AN ASSUMPTION. WE'RE WORKING WITH THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL
21 GOVERNMENT TO ADVANCE IT. THAT IS JUST SIMPLY A RED FLAG. THAT
22 IS ALL IT WAS INTENDED TO BE.

23



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. I'D LIKE TO ASK ABOUT SUMMER YOUTH JOBS.
2 WE'VE APPROVED 3,000 JOBS. LAST YEAR, WE PUT IN 6.5 MILLION
3 FOR YOUTH JOBS. IT WAS LATE. WAS ANY OF THAT LEFT OVER?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** DID WE HAVE ANY-- LAURA, PLEASE, LEAVE HIM
6 ALONE.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** I UNDERSTAND WE'RE NOT GETTING FEDERAL MONEY.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SUMMER YOUTH JOB, 6.5 MILLION, WAS ANY OF THAT
11 LEFT OVER FROM LAST YEAR? WAS IT ALL SPENT?

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** IT WAS VERY LATE WHEN WE VOTED IT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHERE DID BRUCE GO?

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT WAS ONE TIME. WELL, HE'LL BE BACK, DON'T
18 WORRY. SHE MOVED ON TO A DIFFERENT SUBJECT. THE ANSWER IS NO,
19 THERE IS-- HE'LL BE BACK.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** THERE'S NO MONEY LEFT OVER?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, IT WAS ALL SPENT.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** SO WE'LL HAVE TO COME UP WITH THE MONEY FOR THOSE
2 3,000?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THERE'S NO FEDERAL MONEY, OR IS THERE? THAT'S
7 A DIFFERENT PROGRAM.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE IS NO FEDERAL MONEY. I DO NOT BELIEVE
10 THERE IS ANY FEDERAL MONEY.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. GENERAL RELIEF, THE AVERAGE CASE IS DOWN?

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** JUST SLIGHTLY DOWN.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S JUST SLIGHTLY DOWN. ARE THE NUMBERS DOWN ON
17 GENERAL RELIEF?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, THE NUMBERS ARE DOWN.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** DOES THAT INDICATE MORE-- THAT SOME OF THESE
22 PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL? OR HAVE WE TRANSFERRED SOME OF
23 IT OVER TO HOMELESS?

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THERE'S NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT ANY
2 MORE HAVE MOVED INTO HOMELESSNESS THAN PRIOR BECAUSE OF THE
3 AMOUNT OF MONEY WE PAY. THAT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION. LET US
4 TRY TO ANSWER THAT FOR YOU ON WHETHER GROW IS SUCCESSFUL. IT
5 IS SUCCESSFUL. THEY ARE PUTTING PEOPLE TO WORK. I'M NOT SURE
6 IF THERE'S A DIRECT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO. I DON'T FEEL
7 IT'S NOT-- YEAH, WE'LL ANSWER THAT FOR YOU. IT'S A GOOD
8 QUESTION.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** I JUST WANTED TO THROW THIS OUT AND I'M NOT ASKING
11 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS BUT, YOU KNOW, WITH GENERAL RELIEF, A LOT
12 OF VERY YOUNG PEOPLE, 18 TO 23, SOME OF THEM ARE EMANCIPATED
13 YOUTH. MANY OF THEM ARE ON GENERAL RELIEF AFTER THEY GET OVER
14 AGE, OVER 21, IF IT'S 21, OR IF IT'S 18 THAT THEY LOSE--
15 THEY'RE EMANCIPATED. I JUST THINK THAT, I WONDER IF WE TIE IN
16 SOME OF OUR TRAINING THROUGH-- OF THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE, THROUGH
17 THAT GENERAL RELIEF PROGRAM. I HAVE TRADITIONALLY THOUGHT OF
18 IT AS BEING FOR THOSE WHO WERE LONG TIME GENERAL RELIEF
19 RECIPIENTS RATHER THAN A YOUTH-ORIENTED PROGRAM AND I'D JUST
20 LIKE TO-- AT SOME POINT, I'D LIKE TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT
21 DISCUSSION.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** TAKE A LOOK AT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR
24 FOSTER KIDS AND GENERAL RELIEF, GROW PROGRAM, TRAINING, ET
25 CETERA.



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1

2 **SUP. BURKE:** FOSTER KIDS AND OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE THAT WE TALK
3 ABOUT IN TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT THAT-- I KEEP HEARING THAT, YOU
4 KNOW, IF YOU SEE WHO'S GOING IN TO SIGN UP FOR GENERAL RELIEF,
5 A LOT OF THEM ARE VERY YOUNG. VERY YOUNG. I HAVE NO OTHER
6 QUESTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** SOME QUESTIONS THAT I'D LIKE TO ASK ON THE
9 SHERIFF'S BUDGET. DID YOU WANT TO GO?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** OH, I JUST WANT-- YEAH, THE SHERIFF'S FINE, I
12 STILL HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS ON HEALTH.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'LL COME BACK TO HEALTH.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE, ON THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET AND THEN ON
17 HEALTH, AS WELL. I JUST WOULD LIKE TO FOLLOW-- AND MAYBE MR.
18 TANAKA CAN HELP US, I DON'T KNOW.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** PROBABLY. YOU DON'T HAVE ANY OF THOSE PAGES
21 WHERE I PROMISED TO DO SOMETHING AND DIDN'T DO IT, DO YOU?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO I HAVE WHAT? WHAT'S THAT?

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YOU DON'T HAVE ANY OF THOSE PAGES WHERE I
2 PROMISED TO DO SOMETHING AND DIDN'T DO IT?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, YOU DON'T HAVE ONE OF THOSE BUT THERE ARE
5 SOME-- THIS DEALS WITH THE VACANCIES.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OKAY. PAUL?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I KNOW YOU'RE PUTTING IN MORE MONEY. LAST
10 YEAR, I WAS TOLD WE HAD 1,100 VACANCIES IN THE DEPARTMENT AND
11 THEN THE SHERIFF HAD A VERY AGGRESSIVE RECRUITMENT AND IT'S MY
12 UNDERSTANDING THAT, RIGHT NOW, WE ONLY HAVE 772 VACANCIES,
13 CORRECT? AND THEN DAVID IS GOING TO ADD MORE MONEY, WHICH IS A
14 GOOD THING, INTO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR MORE POSITIONS,
15 WHICH I THINK IS TO THE TUNE OF HOW MANY? 400?

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 435.

18

19 **PAUL TANAKA:** SWORN WOULD BE 265...

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S GOOD, 265 SWORN.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT'S GOING TO TAKE US TO...

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 900.



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1

2 **SUP. MOLINA:** BACK TO THE-- BACK TO THE ALMOST 1,000 NUMBER,
3 RIGHT?

4

5 **PAUL TANAKA:** SUPERVISOR, WE ALSO HAVE 280 PEOPLE THAT ARE
6 CURRENTLY-- THAT WE EXPECT TO GRADUATE FROM THE ACADEMY WITHIN
7 THE NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS. BY JULY 31ST-- OUR CURRENT VACANCIES
8 ARE 772. WE EXPECT TO GRADUATE APPROXIMATELY 280 DEPUTY
9 SHERIFFS FROM OUR TRAINING ACADEMY, BRINGING OUR VACANCY DOWN
10 TO JUST UNDER 500. WHEN YOU ADD THE 265, THAT TAKES US BACK UP
11 TO APPROXIMATELY 750 VACANCIES. WE EXPECT TO GRADUATE FROM
12 JULY 31ST THROUGH DECEMBER 31ST APPROXIMATELY 400 MORE DEPUTY
13 SHERIFF TRAINEES. AND OUR PROJECTION, WE BELIEVE IS REASONABLY
14 ACCURATE, WOULD BE SOMEWHERE AROUND 350 DEPUTY SHERIFF
15 VACANCIES BY THE END OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS CALENDAR YEAR MEANING DECEMBER?

18

19 **PAUL TANAKA:** DECEMBER 31ST, YES.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO, THEN THE ISSUE GOES TO
22 UNINCORPORATED PATROL. NOW, THE STUDY HAS BEEN DONE THAT SAID
23 THAT-- BECAUSE WE WANT TO GET TO PARITY AND THE SHERIFF'S
24 DEPARTMENT DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB AS FAR AS AT LEAST
25 ENUMERATING THE ISSUES OF INEQUITY AND TRYING TO PUT US BACK



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1 INTO A PARITY MODEL BUT THAT REQUIRES 212 OFFICERS, SWORN
2 PERSONNEL, AS I UNDERSTAND. AND SO THESE NEW POSITIONS THAT
3 YOU'RE ASKING, PLUS THE PERSONNEL POSITIONS FOR JAILS AND ALL,
4 THAT DOESN'T PUT THEM INTO THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OR DOES IT?

5

6 **PAUL TANAKA:** A GOOD NUMBER OF-- IN BRINGING DOWN OUR VACANCIES
7 FROM THE CURRENT LEVEL OF 772 DOWN TO 350, WHAT WE BELIEVE IT
8 WILL BE AT YEAR'S END, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE ADDITION,
9 IF THIS BOARD APPROVES THE C.A.O.'S PROPOSED BUDGET, ADDING
10 165 NEW POSITIONS TO CUSTODY, 105 TO PATROL, WE ARE, FOR ALL
11 INTENTS AND PURPOSES, WE HAVE FILLED OUR CUSTODY VACANCIES IN
12 CORRECTIONAL SERVICES. WE WILL HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO FILL THE
13 165 NEW POSITIONS BUT WE ARE NOW RUNNING ABOUT 400 VACANCIES
14 IN PATROL. AND SO WHAT OUR PLAN IS IS, WHEN WE HAVE A
15 GRADUATING CLASS, FOR INSTANCE IF 100 NEW BODIES COME OUT, 100
16 WILL GO TO PATROL. IN BETWEEN GRADUATIONS, WE'RE WORKING ON A
17 PLAN TO PUT ADDITIONAL DEPUTIES INTO UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
18 PATROL, BETWEEN CLASSES.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, BUT THAT'S, LIKE, NOT FAIR. WHY SHOULDN'T
21 THEY GO INTO UNINCORPORATED PATROL?

22

23 **PAUL TANAKA:** OH, THEY'LL GO-- I'M SORRY, THEY WILL GO--
24 THEY'LL GO INTO A STATION AND THEN THEY'LL BE...

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT A STATION MIGHT MEAN, LIKE, IF THEY GO INTO
2 EAST L.A. STATION...

3

4 **PAUL TANAKA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** ...THEY MIGHT GO TO CITY OF COMMERCE AS COMPARED
7 TO EAST L.A. JUST BECAUSE I HAVE AN OFFICER AT THE STATION
8 DOESN'T MEAN I GET HIM IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

9

10 **PAUL TANAKA:** THE DIRECTION THAT WE HAVE FROM OUR SHERIFF IS
11 THAT WE WILL FILL THE UNINCORPORATED POSITIONS AT THE SAME
12 LEVEL THAT WE FILL THE CONTRACT CITY. IN OTHER WORDS, COMING
13 WITHIN THAT PLUS OR MINUS 2 PERCENT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, BUT THE PROBLEM IS WE'RE NOT AT PARITY
16 TODAY. WE'RE NOT. THE STUDY THAT I UNDERSTAND WAS DONE SAID,
17 IN ORDER TO BE AT PARITY JUST WITH THE CONTRACT CITIES, YOU
18 NEED 212 POSITIONS. AM I INCORRECT?

19

20 **PAUL TANAKA:** OH, I THINK YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT AUTHORIZED
21 POSITIONS TO FILL BASED ON, SAY, FOR INSTANCE, POPULATION. AND
22 THAT'S PROBABLY CORRECT THAT WE ARE SHORT.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO? WELL, THAT'S, I GUESS, THE QUESTION I'M
25 ASKING.



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1

2 **PAUL TANAKA:** OH, OKAY. WELL, I CAN'T ANSWER THAT. THAT'S A
3 BUDGET...

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AM I NOT MAKING MYSELF CLEAR?

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I THINK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WAS RAISING
8 THE SAME QUESTION. I MEAN, THIS IS THE \$44 MILLION COST. WE'RE
9 PROPOSING 105 STAFF.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 17 MILLION.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 17 MILLION. WE'RE PROPOSING 105, 212
14 APPARENTLY IS WHAT THIS DOCUMENT INDICATES IS NEEDED IN THE
15 INCORPORATED AREA. NOW, SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN
16 FURTHER PURSUE IN DELIBERATIONS. I THINK I'M CORRECT, PAUL,
17 AND MAKE SURE WE'RE TALKING APPLES AND APPLES, THE 300 OR SO
18 POSITIONS THAT ARE VACANT ARE SALARY SAVINGS POSITIONS, RIGHT?

19

20 **PAUL TANAKA:** BY THE TIME WE GET TO THE END OF THIS CALENDAR
21 YEAR, WE WILL BE ON THE VERGE OF HAVING TO FREEZE.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. SO, IN OTHER WORDS, BECAUSE I WAS
24 LISTENING TO HIM SAYING THEY HAD 350 VACANCIES THEREFORE THEY
25 CAN'T DO X, Y, Z. WELL, THOSE 300 ARE PART OF SALARY SAVINGS,



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1 THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN AVAILABLE TO THEM. HE IS LITERALLY SAYING
2 THEY'RE ALMOST GOING TO BE FULLY STAFFED BY THE END OF
3 CALENDAR YEAR...

4

5 **PAUL TANAKA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ...THEREFORE ABLE...

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT DOES THAT BRING US INTO
10 EQUITY AND PARITY WITH THE CONTRACT CITIES?

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE EQUITY ISSUE IS ONE THING...

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, BECAUSE HE'S NOT FUNDED FOR THAT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT SHE'S ASKING AND WHAT I'M ASKING, TOO,
19 IS, YOU KNOW, IF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA WERE A CITY, YOU
20 KNOW, WHAT WOULD THE STAFFING BE?

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, 212 IS WHAT'S BEEN REFERENCED. I HAVE
23 NOT SEEN THE DOCUMENT MYSELF SO...

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO I GUESS MAYBE, AGAIN, I KNOW THAT THE
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS DONE A VERY GOOD JOB BUT IT ISN'T
3 CLEAR TO US AND I THINK WE NEED TO HAVE A CLEARER
4 UNDERSTANDING SO THAT WE DON'T CREATE A FALSE EXPECTATION AND
5 HAVE AN EXPECTATION THAT-- YOU KNOW, WE WANT THE ADDITIONAL
6 DEPUTIES OUT THERE. WE WANT THE ADDITIONAL SWORN PERSONNEL.
7 BUT IF THE UNINCORPORATED ARE STILL AT A DEFICIT, WHICH IS
8 WHAT I THINK I'M HEARING, ALTHOUGH NOT AS LARGE A DEFICIT,
9 THEN I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT. SO IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO
10 UNDERSTAND CLEARLY. RIGHT NOW, THE SHERIFF PROMISED US PARITY.
11 THE STUDY SAID THAT THE DEFICIENCY IS 212 POSITIONS. WE'RE
12 FUNDING MORE POSITIONS, SOME OF THEM ALREADY IN COMMITTED
13 AREAS. YOU'RE DOING BETTER IN FILLING THE VACANCIES. SO
14 SOMEWHERE IN THERE, WE SHOULD KNOW WHAT THAT NUMBER IS. DOES
15 THAT MEAN 80 PEOPLE WILL GO IN TO FILL THE 212 PARITY
16 VACANCIES? OR IS IT GOING TO BE 200? WE DON'T KNOW THAT
17 NUMBER. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW. SO WE MIGHT
18 HAVE IT AND IT'S A GOOD THING THAT YOU GOT ADDITIONAL THINGS.
19 BUT WE JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN THAT PARITY ISSUE IS GOING TO BE
20 RESOLVED.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND WE'LL HAVE THAT DISCUSSION IN
23 DELIBERATIONS. AND, AT THIS POINT, GIVEN THE FACT THEY'RE
24 PROJECTING ALMOST FULL STAFFING, IT'S A MATTER OF GENERAL FUND
25 DOLLARS.



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2 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THEN...

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND WHAT-- EXCUSE ME, AND WHAT WE ARE NOT
7 GOING TO DO AGAIN IS TRY TO COVER UNINCORPORATED PATROL OR
8 JAILS OR WHATEVER ELSE BY OVERTIME IN ADVANCE OF THE POSITIONS
9 BEING FILLED.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH IS THE NEXT QUESTION I HAVE BECAUSE THAT IS
12 WHAT WE RAN INTO THE LAST TIME.

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** IN THIS BUDGET, ARE WE PROTECTED FROM NOT GOING
17 INTO A SITUATION? I MEAN, YOU KNOW, THEY WERE SORT OF-- THEY
18 WERE UNAUTHORIZED POSITIONS. WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO THAT AGAIN?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT? YOU STILL WILL HAVE OVERTIME.

23

24 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES.

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OH, YES.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND YOU-- BY VIRTUE OF THE FACT THAT WE HAVEN'T
4 FILLED THESE VACANCIES, YOU WILL HAVE ADDITIONAL FUNDS, RIGHT?

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, IT'S FULLY-- THIS IS TRUE. I MEAN, \$17
7 MILLION IS FULL YEAR FUNDING. IF THEY CAN'T FILL THEM UNTIL
8 JANUARY, ARGUABLY, YOU'D HAVE DOLLARS AVAILABLE FOR OVERTIME
9 IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS...

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BUT I THINK THAT HAS TO BE, AT THIS POINT,
14 GIVEN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET, THAT HAS TO BE A SPECIFIC
15 AUTHORIZATION BY THE BOARD TO DO THAT AND WE CAN HAVE THAT
16 DISCUSSION IN JUNE, ALSO, PAUL, I THINK. THAT THEY SHOULD
17 START...

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND IT WOULDN'T HURT, I MEAN, AS LONG AS WE KNOW
20 THE MONEY IS THERE, WE'VE ALLOCATED IT AND WHETHER IT'S
21 OVERTIME OR, YOU KNOW, NEW PERSON, IT'S THE SAME THING. IT'S
22 STILL A BODY GOING OUT AND DOING PATROL. BUT WHETHER WE
23 APPROVE IT-- AND I THINK WE SHOULD APPROVE IT, I JUST DON'T
24 WANT US TO GET INTO A SITUATION WE'RE UTILIZING THE OVERTIME



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1 FOR UNAUTHORIZED POSITIONS. THAT'S MY ISSUE AND I THINK WE
2 AGREE.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. AND THE SHERIFF AGREES.

5

6 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN THE LAST THING THAT I WANT TO ASK WITH
9 REGARD TO THAT IS THAT WE'RE ALL HAVING A HUGE GANG PROBLEM. I
10 MEAN, THE GRAFFITI IS ESCALATING, WE'RE SEEING MORE YOUNG
11 PEOPLE BEING KILLED, EVEN THE NUMBERS IN CHILDREN'S SERVICES
12 SHOWED THAT SOME OF THE CHILD DEATHS ARE BECAUSE OF GANG
13 SHOOTINGS. AND SO IT'S ESCALATING ALL OVER. THE CITY IS HAVING
14 A DRAMATIC INCREASE. WE ARE SEEING MORE GRAFFITI IN OUR AREAS.
15 MY COMMUNITY CITIES THAT I REPRESENT, AS WELL, ARE HAVING ALL
16 THE SAME PROBLEM AND WE HAD SOME GOOD SUPPRESSION PROGRAMS
17 GOING ON WITH THE ADDITIONAL MONEY. WE USED IT IN THE FLORENCE
18 FIRESTONE AREA. WE WERE VERY, VERY EFFECTIVE. THE SHERIFF THEN
19 TOOK IT AND PUT IT IN THE COMPTON AREA AND SO ON. SO WE NEED
20 TO DO MORE OF THAT. NOW, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE THE ABILITY
21 TO LOOK AT WHERE-- I MEAN, BECAUSE YOU HAD A REALLY GOOD TEAM
22 THAT WENT IN THERE AND DID SOME GOOD WORK AND IT WAS A
23 COLLABORATIVE EFFORT WITH OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. BUT
24 I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S ANYWHERE IN THIS BUDGET, IF YOU HAVE
25 ANY KIND OF-- I KNOW THAT WAS EXCESS FUNDS THE LAST TIME SO I



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1 DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANYWHERE IN YOUR BUDGET WHERE YOU'RE
2 LOOKING AT POTENTIALLY DEVELOPING THAT KIND OF AN EFFORT AGAIN
3 BECAUSE IT'S A GOOD THING.

4

5 **PAUL TANAKA:** SUPERVISOR, YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, IN PARTICULAR,
6 THE 1 1/2 MILLION DOLLARS THAT YOUR BOARD AUTHORIZED LAST YEAR
7 FOR THE SUMMER SUPPRESSION?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT. THAT WAS JUST THE SUMMER PROGRAM. BUT, IN
10 THE PAST, WE'VE ALSO DONE IT WHEN YOU'VE HAD LEFTOVER MONIES
11 FOR IT AND I'M JUST WONDERING, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING LIKE THAT
12 IN THE BUDGET?

13

14 **PAUL TANAKA:** RIGHT NOW, I WOULDN'T BE AS COMFORTABLE SAYING
15 THAT, THIS FISCAL YEAR, WE'RE IN AS GOOD A POSITION AS WE HAVE
16 BEEN IN, SAY, THE LAST THREE OR FOUR. IF YOUR BOARD DIRECTED,
17 WE COULD CERTAINLY TRY TO FIND ENOUGH MONEY TO DO THE SUMMER
18 SUPPRESSION BUT, BEYOND THAT, I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE RATHER
19 DIFFICULT.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, AGAIN, I'M NOT SAYING THERE IS MONEY BUT I
22 JUST...

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BUT WE ARE ADDING A SMALL AMOUNT TO THE-- \$3
25 MILLION.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 47 POSITIONS? I CAN'T FIND MY PAPER.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THAT'S WHY I WAS ASKING MY QUESTION.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ANYWAY, THERE IS A SMALL AMOUNT OF ADDITIONAL
9 MONEY FOR GANGS THAT IS UP TO THE SHERIFF TO TELL US HOW BEST
10 TO USE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO WE DON'T HAVE A PROGRAM THAT'S DEFINED YET
13 FOR THAT MONEY?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THEY HAD A REQUEST FOR A SIGNIFICANTLY LARGER
16 PROGRAM AND WE ARE FUNDING THE DATABASE TO TRACK.

17

18 **PAUL TANAKA:** 19 POSITIONS. 15 INVESTIGATORS, 3 SERGEANTS, 1
19 LIEUTENANT AND...

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE YOU GO.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHAT WAS THE COST OF THAT, MR. TANAKA?

24



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1 **PAUL TANAKA:** I THINK IT'S \$19-- NO, \$19 MILLION I BELIEVE WAS
2 ALLOCATED FOR-- OH, \$3 MILLION. \$3 MILLION, MA'AM, WAS
3 ALLOCATED FOR THE GANG ASPECT.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** \$3 MILLION DIDN'T COVER WHAT YOU JUST SAID. THE
6 NUMBER OF OFFICERS THAT YOU JUST SAID. IT DID OR DID NOT?

7

8 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT DID?

11

12 **PAUL TANAKA:** I BELIEVE SO.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THEN-- WELL, MY CONCERN IS, IS THAT WE
15 FIND A WAY-- I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT PROGRAM IS. I'M GOING TO
16 ASK MY STAFF TO LOOK INTO IT. I'M INTERESTED IN HAVING A
17 SPECIFIC PROGRAM VERY SIMILAR TO THE ONE THAT WE DID IN THE
18 FLORENCE FIRESTONE AREA. IT WORKED VERY EFFECTIVELY. I DON'T
19 KNOW HOW COMPTON FAIRED ON THEIRS BUT, YOU KNOW, WE JUST NEED
20 SOME REAL SPECIAL TASKFORCE IN THIS AREA TO DO NOTHING BUT
21 JUST GANG RELIEF. I MEAN, IT IS ESCALATING IN BIG NUMBERS AND
22 I DON'T THINK, YOU KNOW, THIS IS SOMETHING WE HAVE TO BE
23 REALLY RELENTLESS ON AND WE CAN'T BACK OFF. I KNOW THERE'S NOT
24 ENOUGH MONEY TO DO-- TO SATURATE THE WHOLE AREA BUT THESE
25 SPECIALIZED TEAMS THAT COULD GO IN. AND IT REALLY IS-- CREATES



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1 MUCH MORE SAFETY IN A COMMUNITY. SO, RIGHT NOW, DAVID, YOU
2 HAVE IT AT 3 MILLION BUT NOT DEFINED NECESSARILY AS TO WHAT
3 THE PROGRAM IS. IS IT THE SHERIFF'S RESPONSIBILITY TO COME
4 BACK TO US AND LET US KNOW?

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THAT GOING TO BE DONE BEFORE DELIBERATIONS?

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, ABSOLUTELY.

11

12 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES, ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR, THERE WAS A REQUEST
13 MADE WHICH I'VE RECEIVED FROM THE GANG UNIT THAT IF WE, IN
14 FACT, DID GET 15 INVESTIGATORS, THEY WOULD BE ASSIGNED RIGHT
15 NOW TO-- THEY'VE IDENTIFIED FIVE STATIONS AND A TASKFORCE TO
16 PUT THE ADDITIONAL GANG INVESTIGATORS, WHERE TO PLACE THEM AT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THAT'S THE NEW POSITIONS, RIGHT?

19

20 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, IT'S NOT PULLING THEM OUT OF OTHER AREAS?

23

24 **PAUL TANAKA:** NO. NO, THESE ARE THE ADDITIONAL POSITIONS IF
25 THIS BOARD WERE TO APPROVE THIS.



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S \$3.9 MILLION, 27 ADDITIONAL POSITIONS.

3

4 **PAUL TANAKA:** EIGHT WILL BE NON-SWORN AND THE \$900,000 WAS
5 ACTUALLY FOR THE ASSESSMENT CENTER.

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OH, RIGHT, YOU GOT IT.

8

9 **PAUL TANAKA:** YEAH, SO 3 MILLION WAS FOR THE PERSONNEL PORTION.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WE HAD PUT MONEY IN THE PFU, FOR THE
12 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, RIGHT? SO WHAT DID THAT DO? DID THAT
13 JUST ROLL OVER INTO THIS?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, THAT'S WHERE THE 17 MILLION CAME FROM.
16 THE MONEY THAT WAS SET ASIDE.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT'S NOT NEW MONEY, THEN?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT IS NOT-- IT'S NEW MONEY FOR THE
21 UNINCORPORATED AREA. IT IS NOT NEW MONEY TO THE BUDGET. IT HAS
22 BEEN THERE FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS WAITING FOR THE SHERIFF TO
23 CATCH UP WITH HIS HIRING.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO, AGAIN, IT WAS IN THE PFU THE LAST TIME TO BE
2 UTILIZED FOR UNINCORPORATED POSITIONS.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WHEN THEY WERE ABLE TO FILL THE POSITIONS.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND NOW YOU PUT IT IN WHERE?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S IN THEIR BUDGET, 17.7 MILLION.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THAT INCLUDED IN...

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I-- YEAH, I KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING. (

13 LAUGHTER)

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'M NOT HELPING.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, YOU'RE NOT. AT LEAST WE BOTH KNOW WE'RE ON
18 THE SAME PAGE.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, THAT'S A GOOD SIGN. (LAUGHTER)

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** AT LEAST THERE'S WRITING ON THE PAGE.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I'M LOOKING AT VICKI BEHIND YOU SO I KNOW
25 NOW.



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1

2 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WHERE IS THAT MONEY, DAVID?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WHERE IS THAT ONE-TIME MONEY? (LAUGHTER)

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IS THE ONE-TIME MONEY STILL IN-- IS IT-- THE
7 ONE-TIME MONEY FOR THIS YEAR STILL IN PFU, THE 17 MILLION?

8

9 **PAUL TANAKA:** I KNOW WHERE YOU'RE GOING AND I'M-- SO...

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THEY ARE BOTH IN...

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IS IT STILL THERE? THIS YEAR'S?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THERE'S SOME REMAINING ONE-TIME MONEY...

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, SO THAT COULD BE AVAILABLE.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** HOW MUCH?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** (OFF-MIKE)

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** FOR SOMETHING LIKE...

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OH, TOO BIG. NO, THERE IS SOME MONEY, YES. (
2 LAUGHTER)

3

4 **PAUL TANAKA:** YES.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE IS SOME MONEY. ONE-TIME MONEY.(LAUGHTER
7)

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. OKAY. WELL, WE'LL LOOK AT THAT AGAIN
10 DURING DELIBERATIONS AND MAYBE...

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, WE WILL.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. JUST WANTED TO KNOW WHERE IT WAS.
15 OKAY, THAT WAS MY QUESTIONS ON THE SHERIFF. DON HAD SOME.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST, HOW MANY COPS VACANCIES DO YOU HAVE?

18

19 **PAUL TANAKA:** I BELIEVE-- YOU KNOW, I DON'T HAVE THE EXACT
20 NUMBERS NOW. MY LAST, THE LAST CLASS, WE PUT A NUMBER OF NEW
21 DEPUTY SHERIFFS INTO THE-- NOT NEW BUT TRANSFERRED INTO THE
22 COPS PROGRAM. I COULDN'T TELL YOU THAT BUT I KNOW THAT WE'RE
23 PROBABLY ABOUT 70 OR 80 PERCENT FILLED UP NOW IN THE COPS
24 POSITIONS.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT CHANGED THAT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT NO LONGER
2 WANTS TO PROVIDE THE OUTPATIENT SERVICES FOR YOU GUYS AT THE
3 MED CENTER?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT WASN'T, SUPERVISOR, IT WASN'T A MATTER OF
6 THEIR NOT WANTING TO DO THAT. WHEN WE ALL APPROVED THE NEW
7 HOSPITAL, THAT UNIT WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE NEW HOSPITAL. SO
8 THERE IS NO WAY FOR THEM TO PROVIDE THE SERVICE AT THE NEW
9 HOSPITAL FOR OUTPATIENT. THAT'S THE ISSUE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? THANK YOU.

14

15 **PAUL TANAKA:** THANK YOU. HEALTH DEPARTMENT?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, YEAH. I HAVE A QUESTION ON CAPITOL PROJECTS.
18 I DON'T GET IT BUT WHAT'S NEW? LET ME UNDERSTAND. CAPITAL
19 PROJECTS ARE DEFINED TO YOU TO BE WHAT? A NEW BUILDING? A NEW
20 THING?

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BIG THINGS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BIG NEW THINGS. OKAY, I SORT OF UNDERSTAND IT,
25 THEN.



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1

2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH. BIG BUILDINGS. (LAUGHTER)

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** BIG BUILDINGS.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** BIG PROJECTS.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND YOU HAVE HOW MUCH MONEY DESIGNATED FOR

9 CAPITAL PROJECTS THIS YEAR?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** \$1.4 BILLION IS THE TOTAL BUDGET. THE NEW

12 MONEY IS ABOUT-- NO, THAT'S NOT THE TOTAL, SORRY.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE REASON I SAY IS SOME OF IT IS CARRYOVER,

15 RIGHT?

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MOST OF IT IS CARRYOVER, SUPERVISOR. 188

18 MILLION NEW.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU HAVE IN HERE AND WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR

21 THIS LIST AND LET ME TELL YOU, IT'S HARD TO GET THIS LIST.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, IT'S-- ACTUALLY, IT'S ALL IN THIS

24 DOCUMENT.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, RIGHT

2

3 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT THERE.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO WHY WOULD ELECTRICAL REHAB BE A CAPITAL
6 PROJECT?

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT MAY DEPEND ON THE SIZE OF THE PROJECT OR
9 THE TYPE OF PROJECT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THERE A NUMBER THAT KICKS IT IN?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** JAN, COME UP HERE.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE REASON I'M ASKING, DAVID, IS THERE'S A LONG
16 LIST SUPPOSEDLY SOMEWHERE OF-- AND MY STAFF DOES HAVE IT, I
17 REMEMBER IT LAST YEAR, OF DEFERRED MAINTENANCE.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT HASN'T BEEN DONE.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CORRECT. THAT WE'RE CHIPPING AWAY AT, RIGHT.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** HUH?



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1

2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE'RE CHIPPING AWAY AT, YES.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, WE'RE CHIPPING AWAY AT IT BUT HERE WE ARE
5 SPENDING ALL THIS MONEY ON CAPITOL PROJECTS FOR BIG BRAND NEW
6 BUILDINGS AND I UNDERSTAND WE GOT TO DO SOME OF THAT, RIGHT?
7 AND I SUPPORT A LOT OF THAT. I KNOW MY PARKS ARE IN THERE,
8 LIBRARIES, ALL OTHER KIND OF GOOD STUFF IS IN THERE.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT, FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN YOU HAVE REFURBISHMENT OF
13 ELECTRICAL AND I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS FIXING A COUPLE OF
14 LIGHT SOCKETS BUT IT'S A LOT MORE MONEY THAN THAT. OR DID THE
15 THING ROT SO BAD AND WE DIDN'T TAKE CARE OF IT THAT NOW WE
16 HAVE TO REPLACE THE WHOLE THING? AND I'M WONDERING AT WHAT
17 POINT IN TIME WE MAKE A DETERMINATION THAT WE'VE GOT TO PUT
18 MORE MONEY INTO THE DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AS COMPARED TO THE
19 CAPITAL PROJECTS OR ARE THEY SUCH A BLENDING NOW THAT THERE'S
20 NO DIFFERENCE?

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE DEFINITION OF CAPITAL PROJECT IS ANYTHING
23 OVER 100,000 THAT'S NEW. OTHERWISE, IT'S MAINTENANCE, DEFERRED
24 MAINTENANCE.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M SORRY, WHAT?

2

3 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 100,000 OR OVER AND NEW IS A CAPITAL PROJECT.
4 ANYTHING AND NEW. SO MAJOR MAINTENANCE, MAINTENANCE IS A
5 DIFFERENT LINE ITEM CATEGORY...

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW BUT...

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WE SPEND ABOUT 20 MILLION A YEAR ON MAJOR
10 MAINTENANCE AND I THINK WE HAVE...

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW BUT...

13

14 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ...A 77 MILLION THAT WE'RE...

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. FOR EXAMPLES, ELECTRICAL REHAB OR
17 REFURBISHMENT IS 225,000 FOR THE CHILDREN'S COURT.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND HE JUST SAID WE INCLUDE REFURBISHMENT
20 PROJECTS IN HERE WHICH ARE NOT, I GUESS, EITHER. NEITHER FISH
21 NOR FOUL. IT'S A THIRD CATEGORY. REFURBISHMENT, MAINTENANCE,
22 CAPITAL.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THERE'S THREE DIFFERENT ONES NOW?

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IS THERE A FOURTH? CAPITAL AND REFURBISHMENT
2 IS WHAT IT SAYS.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE ARE HAVING A PROBLEM UNDERSTANDING THIS AND
5 OBVIOUSLY YOU ARE, TOO. (LAUGHTER)

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO IT WOULD BE WORTHWHILE TO HAVE A-- BECAUSE IT
8 JUST SORT OF ASKS THE QUESTION, IS, ARE WE MAINTAINING OUR
9 ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, SURE, RIGHT, ABSOLUTELY.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** I MEAN, AND ARE WE JUST WAITING UNTIL AIR
14 CONDITIONING BREAKS DOWN ALTOGETHER AND WE JUST BUY A NEW
15 SYSTEM? AND SOMETIMES SYSTEMS DO NEED TO BE REPLACED, I
16 UNDERSTAND THAT. BUT I GUESS THAT I'M NOT SURE-- AND MAYBE
17 THAT'S SOMETHING WE CAN CLARIFY. YOU DON'T NEED TO DO IT NOW.
18 BUT IT'S JUST THE DEFINITION ISN'T CLEAR TO ME AND SO I NEVER
19 KNOW WHERE WE'RE AT. AND ARE WE CHIPPING AWAY AT THE...

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE LONG LIST, RIGHT.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE MAINTENANCE ONE BECAUSE THE LIST IS LONG. AND
24 WHEN DOES IT BECOME A CAPITAL PROJECT, ALL RIGHT?

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ALL RIGHT. YES, WE'LL PREPARE THAT FOR YOU.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. BECAUSE MY STAFF, I HAVE THEM CHASING
4 AROUND THIS LIST AND, BELIEVE ME, IT'S NOT BEEN EASE TO GET
5 EVEN THOUGH WE'RE TOLD IT'S IN THE BOOK BUT IT'S STILL NOT
6 CLEAR AS TO HOW IT'S DEFINED IN THERE. ALL RIGHT? THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO BRING THE HEALTH
9 DEPARTMENT UP? DR. CHERNOF? WE HAVE A SET MATTER FOR THEM,
10 ALSO. WILL THIS CONSTITUTE IT?

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, IT WILL CONSTITUTE THE SAME. IT'S THEIR
13 QUARTERLY STATUS REPORT ON THEIR FORECAST SO I THINK THEY CAN
14 EASILY MELD BOTH DISCUSSIONS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK SO, TOO. ALL RIGHT, GO
17 AHEAD, DR. CHERNOF.

18

19 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A
20 COUPLE OF INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS AND THEN I WILL HAVE ALLAN
21 WECKER, OUR ACTING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER FOR THE DEPARTMENT
22 TAKE US THROUGH SOME OF THE PARTICULARS. I THINK THE KEY
23 THINGS I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT TO ALL OF YOU TODAY IS THAT OUR
24 FISCAL OUTLOOK HAS IMPROVED SINCE OUR LAST FISCAL FORECAST OF
25 DECEMBER 12TH, 2006. AT THAT TIME, WE FORECAST A DEFICIT



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1 THROUGH THE '10/'11 YEAR OF \$903 MILLION AND, IN THIS FISCAL
2 FORECAST, WE ARE NOW PROJECTING A DEFICIT OF \$651 MILLION. TO
3 MY MIND, SINCE OUR LAST REPORT, I'M PLEASED TO SHARE WITH ALL
4 OF YOU THAT WE REMAIN ON TRACK AND ON SCHEDULE WITH RESPECT TO
5 OUR DEFICIT MANAGEMENT PLAN. ANOTHER IMPORTANT EVENT WAS THE
6 RECEIPT OF THE ENTIRE AVAILABLE AMOUNT TO US UNDER THE
7 COVERAGE INITIATIVE OF A TOTAL OF \$54 MILLION. AS WE WORKED
8 WITH THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE, WE BROUGHT FORWARD OUR PART OF THE
9 BUDGET AS PART OF DAVID'S PROPOSED BUDGET WITH A DECREASE OF
10 269 POSITIONS. AND THIS WAS AT THE DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST AND
11 PART OF OUR BEING FISCALLY PRUDENT. FINALLY, WE'RE WORKING
12 HARD ON THE MANAGED CARE RATE INCREASE WHICH I'LL HAVE ALLAN
13 TOUCH UPON IN HIS PRESENTATION. SO, ALLAN, IF YOU COULD GO
14 THROUGH THE KEY ELEMENTS OF THE SCHEDULE, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

15
16 **ALLAN WECKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BEFORE YOU IS THE UPDATED
17 FISCAL OUTLOOK FOR FISCAL YEAR '06/'07 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR
18 '10/'11. SINCE OUR LAST UPDATE TO THE BOARD, WE'VE SEEN AN
19 IMPROVEMENT IN OUR CURRENT YEAR FORECAST OF APPROXIMATELY \$97
20 MILLION WHILE OUR FIVE YEAR DEFICIT HAS DECREASED 28 PERCENT
21 FROM 903 TO \$651 MILLION. THE \$252 MILLION REDUCTION IS DUE TO
22 TWO MAJOR FACTORS. THE FIRST FACTOR IS THE C.A.O. HAS
23 RECOMMENDED, IN THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR '07/'08 BUDGET, TO
24 INCREASE COUNTY CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEPARTMENT BY \$40 MILLION
25 PER YEAR. THE SECOND MAJOR FACTOR IS THE PROPOSED BUDGET



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1 INCLUDES, ON AN AVERAGE, A \$50 MILLION REDUCTION IN OUR
2 DEPARTMENT'S EMPLOYEE BENEFIT COSTS. THE C.A.O. HAS
3 RECOMMENDED, IN THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR '07/'08 BUDGET, THAT
4 THE DEPARTMENT WILL USE APPROXIMATELY \$198 MILLION FROM OUR
5 DESIGNATION FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR '07/'08 OPERATIONS. THE
6 BALANCE IN OUR DESIGNATION ACCOUNT AT THE END OF FISCAL YEAR
7 '07/'08 WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$3.1 MILLION. POTENTIAL
8 DEVELOPMENTS NOT INCLUDED IN THE C.A.O.-PROPOSED BUDGET ARE AS
9 FOLLOWS. THE CMS EXTENSION AGREEMENT REGARDING MLK HARBOR
10 MEDICAL CENTER. WE ARE ESTIMATING THAT THE COST OF THIS
11 AGREEMENT WILL BE \$12 MILLION OVER TWO YEARS. THIS AMOUNT HAS
12 BEEN REDUCED FROM OUR PRIOR ESTIMATES DUE TO A MORE LIBERAL
13 INTERPRETATION OF THE DEFINITION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES. TWO,
14 THE LAC/USC CAPITAL PROJECTS TRANSITION COST. WE ARE CURRENTLY
15 REVIEWING A LIST OF CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY
16 DURING THE TRANSITION TO THE NEW HOSPITAL. THESE PROJECTS
17 RANGE FROM MOTHBALLING GENERAL HOSPITAL TO UPDATES IN CENTRAL
18 PLANT. WE ARE STILL REVIEWING WHICH PROJECTS ARE NECESSARY AND
19 THEIR ASSOCIATED COSTS. THREE, WE'RE ANTICIPATING INCREASED
20 COSTS OF APPROXIMATELY 9.8 MILLION FOR ORDER MANAGEMENT
21 DOCUMENT IMAGING, ALSO KNOWN AS ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS AT
22 LAC/USC MEDICAL CENTER. THESE ADDITIONAL COSTS, WE BELIEVE,
23 WILL BE OFFSET THROUGH ADDITIONAL DEFICIT MANAGEMENT PLAN
24 ACTIONS. THE STATE HAS RECENTLY AWARDED TO DHS \$54 MILLION PER
25 YEAR FOR THE COVERAGE INITIATIVE. THIS IS THE MAXIMUM ALLOWED



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1 UNDER STATE LAW. THIS PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE PATIENTS WHO HAVE
2 DIABETES, ASTHMA AND HYPERTENSION WITH A COMPREHENSIVE
3 OUTPATIENT PROGRAM. \$30 MILLION OF THIS AWARD WILL BE TO
4 REIMBURSE DHS FOR EXISTING EXPENSES TO THIS POPULATION WHERE
5 THE REMAINING 24 MILLION WILL BE USED FOR EXPANDED SERVICES.
6 THE FISCAL OUTLOOK DOES NOT INCLUDE THE IMPACT OF THE PENDING
7 SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION CHANGES OR THE IMPACT OF THE MEDI-
8 CAL CITIZENSHIP VERIFICATION RULE. TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES,
9 DHS WILL CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE C.A.O. TO DEVELOP BUDGETARY
10 ADJUSTMENTS AS PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR '07/'08 BUDGET
11 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS. IN OUR FISCAL OUTLOOK, WE ARE ASSUMING
12 \$143 MILLION PER YEAR FROM THE MANAGED CARE RATE SETTLEMENT.
13 THIS REQUEST IS PENDING FEDERAL APPROVAL. STATE DEPARTMENT OF
14 HEALTH SERVICE HAS HAD INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH TECHNICAL
15 STAFF FROM CMS AND WE EXPECT STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES TO FORMALLY SUBMIT ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO CMS
17 TODAY. THAT IS A OVERALL OF WHAT OUR FISCAL FORECAST IS IN
18 FRONT OF YOU FOR THE FIVE YEARS. ANY QUESTIONS?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND YOU'RE ASSUMING, IN THE
21 BUDGET, THE MANAGED CARE RATE INCREASE, IS THAT CORRECT?

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S CORRECT.

24

25 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES, SIR.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IF THAT DOESN'T COME TO PASS,
3 THEN THE IMPACT IN FISCAL YEAR '07/'08 IS?

4

5 **ALLAN WECKER:** IT WOULD BE ABOUT \$186 MILLION. IT'S BASICALLY
6 IS WORTH 143 MILLION PER YEAR, SO THE TWO YEARS IS 286
7 MILLION. OF THAT, THERE'S 100 MILLION OF COUNTY FUNDS. SO
8 YOU'RE LOOKING AT A NET OF \$186 MILLION.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT DO YOU MEAN, THERE'S A 100
11 MILLION IN COUNTY FUNDS? WHERE IS THE BALANCE? THE STATE
12 FUNDS? OR DRAW DOWNS?

13

14 **ALLAN WECKER:** OKAY, IT'S BASICALLY STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS.
15 SORRY. STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THE LOSS TO OUR SYSTEM IS 186
18 MILLION?

19

20 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IT'S IN THE FISCAL YEAR
23 '07/'08?

24

25 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES, IT WOULD BE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID WE ASSUME THAT IN THIS YEAR'S
3 BUDGET?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND IT DIDN'T HAPPEN.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WE DIDN'T HAVE IT-- IT DIDN'T
8 HAPPEN SO WERE WE OUT 186 OR THEREABOUTS MILLION DOLLARS THIS
9 FISCAL YEAR?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT WAS PRIOR FISCAL YEAR, I THINK. WE SET
12 ASIDE THE MONEY IN THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR AND IT DIDN'T HAPPEN.
13 WE'RE ASSUMING IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN THIS FISCAL YEAR SO IT
14 HASN'T.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU SET ASIDE MONEY IN PRIOR
17 FISCAL YEAR, MEANING...?

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** TO MATCH. 47 MILLION TO MATCH. WE ROLLED THAT
20 OVER AND, THIS YEAR, WE'VE ASSUMED THE...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT YOU ASSUMED IN THIS FISCAL
23 YEAR THAT YOU WOULD GET THE MANAGEMENT CARE RATE INCREASE...

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.



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1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IT WAS WORTH A TOTAL OF, TO
3 THE SYSTEM, IT WAS, IT'S VALUED...

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CURRENT YEAR...

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CURRENT YEAR.

8

9 **ALLAN WECKER:** 140...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 140 MILLION OR THEREABOUTS?

12

13 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES.

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND SO WE DIDN'T GET IT AND-- SO
18 HOW DO WE PLUG THAT HOLE?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S RETROACTIVE. IF THEY APPROVE IT, IT'S
21 RETROACTIVE INTO OCTOBER...

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IN THE MEANTIME, YOU'RE FUNDING IT
24 WITH...

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ESTIMATES.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, IT'S GOT TO BE MORE THAN
4 ESTIMATES. WHERE IS THE CASH COMING FROM? I MEAN, YOU'RE
5 SPENDING AS THOUGH YOU HAD IT, SO WHERE IS THE CASH COMING
6 FROM?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S THE REAL REASON, PROBABLY...

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE MORE CASH THAN-- YOU HAVE
11 ENOUGH CASH TO COVER IT?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT THE MANAGED CARE RATE
16 INCREASE, THIS FISCAL YEAR? SPEAKING ABOUT THIS FISCAL YEAR.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CURRENT FISCAL YEAR?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CURRENT. SOMEHOW YOU'RE PAYING FOR
21 THIS.

22

23 **ALLAN WECKER:** OKAY, WE ARE ASSUMING, IN THE '06/'07 BUDGET,
24 \$94 MILLION WILL COME THROUGH.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 90-- SPEAK INTO THE MIKE. 94?

2

3 **ALLAN WECKER:** SORRY. \$94 MILLION IN OUR CURRENT BUDGET. WE
4 HAVE THAT IN ASSUMED.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THE VALUE TO THE SYSTEM I
7 THOUGHT WAS 140 MILLION.

8

9 **ALLAN WECKER:** WELL, WHAT'S HAPPENING IN-- WHAT WE'RE
10 REQUESTING CMS IS 143 MILLION BUT WHAT WE PUT IN IN OUR
11 '06/'07 BUDGET, WE BASICALLY PUT \$94 MILLION AND WE'RE
12 BASICALLY SUPPORTING THAT WITH \$47 MILLION OF COUNTY GENERAL
13 FUND THAT WE HAD IN FISCAL YEAR '05/'06. SO WHAT THEY'VE DONE
14 IS, IF WE DON'T GET THE MANAGED CARE RATE INCREASE, WE HAVE
15 \$47 MILLION OF UNUSED COUNTY CONTRIBUTION IN FISCAL YEAR
16 '05/'06.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND THERE IS DESIGNATION OF 198, \$200 MILLION
19 LEFT FOR THIS YEAR. YOU WOULD SIMPLY COVER THAT SHORTFALL OUT
20 OF THE DESIGNATION AND DEAL WITH THE BUDGET PROBLEM NEXT YEAR.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THE BUDGET PROBLEM NEXT YEAR
23 WOULD BE...

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** COULD BE 186 MILLION, WHICH IS...



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1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NET WOULD BE 180...

3

4 **ALLAN WECKER:** 186 MILLION, YES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND WITH IT, THE BUDGET NEXT YEAR
7 IS ROUGHLY BALANCED?

8

9 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES. YES, IT IS.

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. AND THEN THE FOLLOWING YEAR, THE
12 DEFICIT SURFACES.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND. IT'S BEEN HAPPENING
15 EVERY YEAR SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT, I MEAN, THE REALITY IS IT'S NOT REALLY A 3
18 MILLION SURPLUS, IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THE REALITY IS, IT'S NOT A \$3 MILLION SURPLUS
23 BECAUSE...

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OH, NO. IT'S 3 MILLION LEFT IN THE RESERVE.

2 NO, THERE IS NO SURPLUS. ARE THERE ANY OTHER ASSUMPTIONS

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER ASSUMPTIONS IN

5 THE BUDGET THAT HAVE NOT PANNED OUT YET?

6

7 **ALLAN WECKER:** THE ONLY MAJOR ONE IS THE MANAGED CARE RATE

8 INCREASE. WE'RE STILL TYING TO CALCULATE THE IMPACT OF THE

9 PENDING SALARY AND CLASSIFICATION CHANGES.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY, THE?

12

13 **ALLAN WECKER:** THE SALARY FOR THE NURSES AND THE PHYSICIANS. WE

14 HAVE NOT PUT THE ADDITIONAL COSTS IN THE SYSTEM. WE'RE STILL

15 CALCULATING IT. ONCE WE CALCULATE IT, WE ALSO HAVE TO

16 CALCULATE THE NET REVENUE THAT WE GET WITH IT. AND OUR GOAL

17 WOULD BE FOR THE JUNE DELIBERATIONS TO HAVE THAT INFORMATION

18 IN FRONT OF YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT THE \$72 MILLION FOR THE NURSING THAT WE

21 APPROVED AS A BOARD BUT HAS NOT YET BEEN FUNDED?

22

23 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT THE-- THIS ALSO
2 INCLUDES YOUR CAPITAL BUDGET, TOO, FOR THE SEVERAL HOSPITALS
3 WHERE THE COUNTY S. C. WHERE YOU'RE BUILDING A NEW ONE AND THE
4 COUPLE OTHERS WHERE YOU'RE DOING SOME MAJOR CAPITAL
5 INVESTMENTS, CORRECT?

6

7 **ALLAN WECKER:** YES.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ARE YOU ASSUMING AS FAR AS
10 THE CAPITAL PROJECTS ARE CONCERNED?

11

12 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THERE ARE EXPENDITURES BOTH AT OLIVE VIEW, THE
13 MED CENTER AND HARBOR. I'M LOOKING FOR THE...

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I GUESS MY QUESTION, I'M NOT
16 REALLY LOOKING FOR A LIST. BECAUSE OF THE COST OVERRUN ISSUE
17 WE'RE BEGINNING TO EXPERIENCE AT THE MED CENTER, AND I DON'T
18 KNOW...

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 189 MILLION. 189 MILLION IS...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OF THE THREE, BETWEEN THE THREE,
23 OLIVE VIEW, MED CENTER AND HARBOR?

24

25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CORRECT. RIGHT.



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1

2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ARE YOU ASSUMING IN THE WAY
3 OF COST-- WELL, COST OVERRUNS? HOW ARE YOU HANDLING THE COST
4 OVERRUNS THE NEXT FISCAL, WHAT ARE YOU ASSUMING THE COST AT
5 THE MED CENTER IS CONCERNED?

6

7 **ALLAN WECKER:** YOU MEAN FOR THE BUILDING PROJECT?

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COUNTY USC?

10

11 **ALLAN WECKER:** YOU MEAN FOR THE BUILDING OF THE MEDICAL CENTER?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, FOR THE BUILDING OF THE
14 HOSPITAL.

15

16 **ALLAN WECKER:** YOU'RE SAYING THERE'S COST OVERRUNS?

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH, WE HAVE INCLUDED ADDITIONAL DOLLARS IN
19 THE PROPOSED BUDGET RELATED TO THE MED CENTER.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOW MUCH ADDITIONAL? IF YOU DON'T
22 KNOW IT OFF THE TOP OF YOUR HEAD...

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, I DO. I JUST-- I THINK I'D JUST AS SOON
25 NOT SAY IT BECAUSE ONCE YOU SAY IT, IT'S GONE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, FINE, I UNDERSTAND. AND
3 LET ME ASK THIS, IS THE MONEY YOU'VE SET ASIDE IN THE BUDGET
4 FOR THE MED CENTER WHAT YOU CONSIDER TO BE SUFFICIENT TO COVER
5 ALL OF OUR OBLIGATIONS?

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, YOU NEED TO BE ASKING THIS QUESTION
8 OUTSIDE OF WHAT ALLAN MENTIONED ABOUT MEDICAL RECORDS,
9 TRANSITION COSTS, ET CETERA, TO PUBLIC WORKS, WHO IS MANAGING
10 THE CAPITAL PROJECT. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER
11 THAT QUESTION.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THE MONEY IN THE PUBLIC WORKS
14 BUDGET OR IN HEALTH DEPARTMENT?

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, IT'S IN THE CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET, MY
17 BUDGET.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THAT WAS MY FIRST
20 QUESTION SO I PROBABLY DIDN'T MAKE MYSELF CLEAR. SO THAT'S
21 FINE. I'M NOT PURSUE IT WITH YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE A QUESTION.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, HANG ON. GO AHEAD AND
2 FINISH.

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, THE HEALTH BUDGET, AS YOU SAID, HAS BEEN
5 A CHALLENGE FOR YOU FOR-- SINCE 1994, '95 SPECIFICALLY WHERE
6 THERE WAS AN ASSUMPTION OF \$655 MILLION OF REVENUE FROM S.B.
7 910. THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN AND THAT COLLAPSE HAPPENED OVER NIGHT.
8 YOU FACED THE FIRST HEALTH CARE CRISIS OF MAJOR SIGNIFICANCE.
9 PRESIDENT CLINTON, IT SEEMS LIKE A HISTORY AGO, BROUGHT IN 365
10 MILLION, WHICH I THANKED HIM FOR TWO NIGHTS AGO WHEN I HAD THE
11 ADVANTAGE OF SEEING HIM. ANYWAY, HE SAID IT WAS HIS HONOR TO
12 DO THAT FOR CALIFORNIA. ANYWAY, WE'VE STRUGGLED ALL THIS TIME
13 TO FIND OUT HOW TO SOLVE A STRUCTURE PROBLEM IN THE HEALTH
14 DEPARTMENT THAT'S CAUSED SIMPLY BY THE FACT THAT THEY SERVE
15 900,000 PEOPLE, 600,000 OF WHOM HAVE NO MONEY. THE ONLY
16 REVENUE STREAM THAT GROWS IN THE DEPARTMENT IS ONE THAT YOUR
17 BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR AND THAT'S THE TRAUMA FEE. THAT DOES
18 GROW OR HAS THE CAPABILITY OF GROWING EVERY YEAR. BEYOND, THAT
19 REALIGNMENT MAY GROW ABOUT \$10 A YEAR. IT'S A \$3 BILLION
20 BUDGET. THE STRUCTURAL IMBALANCE IS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF
21 \$300 MILLION. IT SIMPLY DOESN'T GO AWAY. AND, AS WE HAVE TO
22 COMPETE WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR FOR SALARIES AND STAFF, THAT
23 COST GOES UP, WHICH IS WHY, FOR ALL OF US, WE BELIEVE, THAT
24 THE STATE INITIATIVE ON UNIVERSAL HEALTHCARE IS THE MOST
25 IMPORTANT THING THAT CAN HAPPEN IN CALIFORNIA TODAY, NOT ONLY



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1 FOR US BUT FOR HEALTHCARE AS WELL. WE MAKE AND HAVE MADE OVER
2 THE YEARS ASSUMPTIONS AS OPTIMISTICALLY AS POSSIBLE BUT ALWAYS
3 WITHIN A RANGE OF WHAT WE FELT WE COULD HANDLE IF IT DIDN'T
4 HAPPEN. WE DON'T USUALLY DISCUSS THEM IN THE BUDGET. THIS ONE,
5 WHEN IT GOT TO THE 200 PLUS MILLION DOLLARS STARTED CONCERNING
6 ME AND THAT'S WHY IT'S A RED FLAG. MANAGED CARE RATE INCREASES
7 HAVE BEEN IMPROVED BY CMS BEFORE. IT IS NOT-- I DON'T WANT TO
8 STANDARD BUT IT IS NOT AN UNUSUAL REQUEST OR PROCESS OR
9 PROCEDURE. IT'S TAKEN A LONG TIME TO GET TO WHERE IT IS. WE
10 DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE GOING TO APPROVE IT. WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT
11 THEY WILL. SO WE WERE JUST SURFACING. IF IT DOESN'T HAPPEN,
12 FALLS APART, WE HAVE ENOUGH ONE-TIME MONEY IF WE NEED THAT FOR
13 NEXT YEAR WHILE WE'RE WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE THE
14 REDUCTIONS THAT ARE NECESSARY, ASSUMING THAT THE STATE DOESN'T
15 DO ANYTHING ABOUT HEALTHCARE, EITHER. SO IT'S BY WAY OF A RED
16 FLAG. YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT IT. WE
17 NEED TO MONITOR IT. BUT REMEMBER ON THAT PIE CHART AGAIN, 76
18 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET IS IN HOSPITALS AND IF WE HAVE TO START
19 CUTTING, IT'S GOING TO GET VERY UGLY VERY QUICKLY.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS THE HEALTH BUDGET THIS
22 YEAR IN THE BUDGET? TOTAL?

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 3 BILLION-- 3.3 BILLION.

25



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1 **ALLEN WECKER:** 3.3.

2

3 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND 660 MILLION OF THAT IS...

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 3.3. WHAT WAS IT THIS YEAR?

6

7 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** HANG ON.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. I

10 THOUGHT WE'RE AT 3.8. HAVE WE NOT BEEN AT 3.8?

11

12 **ALLAN WECKER:** IT'S APPROXIMATELY THE SAME. NOT TO MY

13 KNOWLEDGE, SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND, IN 1995, WHEN I GOT HERE, MY

16 IMPRESSION IT WAS 2.8, IS THAT? IT WAS 2.2? IT WAS PROBABLY

17 2.2.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 2.2.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, BECAUSE IT'S GONE UP BY

22 QUITE A BIT.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO-- YEAH. I THINK IT WAS 2.2. SO
2 THE BUDGET-- THE DEFICIT, EVEN-- WHAT WAS THAT? THE DEFICIT IS
3 A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET...

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S GONE DOWN SUBSTANTIALLY...

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ...HAS GONE DOWN SIGNIFICANTLY.

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ...FROM THE FIRST TIME YOU ADDRESSED THE
10 PROBLEM. AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET, I THINK YOU HAD US
11 TAKE A LOOK AT IT. IT WAS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 30 PERCENT 12
12 YEARS AGO.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CORRECT, AND THEN IT WAS DOWN BY
15 8%.

16

17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND IT'S ABOUT 10%, 8% NOW SO...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. IT WAS, LIKE, A TWO-THIRDS
20 REDUCTION OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT AS A PERCENTAGE OF THE
21 OPERATING BUDGET.

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** RIGHT. A LOT OF PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE BUT
24 THERE'S STILL...

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT IT'S STILL A LOT OF MONEY. ALL
2 RIGHT. MS. MOLINA?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** JUST A SIMPLE QUESTION. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY
5 THERE'S NOT A RECONCILIATION BETWEEN THE C.A.O. AND THE
6 DEPARTMENT ON THE NURSE REGISTRY SAVINGS. HAS THAT BEEN
7 RESOLVED?

8

9 **ALLAN WECKER:** STILL WORKING.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU SAID 20, THEY SAY 11.

12

13 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THE STAFF IS STILL WORKING, I BELIEVE YOUR
14 STAFF IS STILL...

15

16 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I HADN'T HEARD THERE WAS AN ISSUE ON REGISTRY
17 SAVINGS.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, THEY SAY IT'S 20 MILLION, YOU SAY IT'S 11
20 MILLION.

21

22 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ON REGISTRY SAVINGS?

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SAVINGS. I GUESS YOU ALL CAN RESOLVE THAT AND YOU
25 CAN GET BACK TO US ON IT.



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2 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WE'LL BE GLAD TO, SUPERVISOR.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** BECAUSE IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE'S A
5 DIFFERENCE BY 10 MILLION, WHICH IS A CHUNK OF CHANGE.

6

7 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE'D BE GLAD TO CLARIFY THAT
8 FOR YOU, NO PROBLEM.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DON?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, WHEN IS THE STAFFING PLAN THAT YOU'VE BEEN
13 WORKING ON FOR MLK GOING TO BE FINISHED?

14

15 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE ARE WORKING ON A FINAL DRAFT
16 NOW. WE'RE REVIEWING WITH THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE AND IT WILL COME
17 THROUGH AS PART OF FINAL CHANGES.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** FINAL CHANGES AS IT RELATES TO STAFFING PLAN, THAT
20 WILL BE PART OF THE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS THEN? BECAUSE,
21 OBVIOUSLY, THAT'S NOT PART OF THE...

22

23 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THEN THE ISSUE OF THE MLK FUNDING AS IT
2 RELATES TO THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF FEDERAL FUNDING, THAT WOULD
3 JUST BE SITTING OUT THERE, RIGHT?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S \$12 MILLION OVER TWO YEARS SO WE'LL TAKE
6 CARE OF IT AS IT HAPPENS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** AS IT HAPPENS, OKAY.

9

10 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ON YOUR QUESTION, SINCE
11 WE HAVE NOT INCLUDED THE COST OF NURSING SALARIES AND WE
12 ANTICIPATE WITH A BETTER, MORE COMPETITIVE SALARIES FOR
13 NURSES, THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE LESS USE OF REGISTRIES,
14 THEREFORE, SOME SAVINGS ON THAT SIDE. WE'RE APPARENTLY HAVING
15 THOSE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE DEPARTMENT ABOUT WHAT A REASONABLE
16 NUMBER IS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** YEAH, THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING.

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YEAH.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S ALL THE QUESTIONS I HAVE.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** (OFF-MIKE)

2

3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, ON S-1, WE'LL JUST RECEIVE AND FILE THE
4 REPORT. AND THEN, BACK ON ITEM 71, WE NEED A MOTION.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVE IT.

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** MOVED AND SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, WE'LL
11 RECEIVE AND FILE.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** RECEIVE AND FILE ON S-1.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON S-1. 71 HAS A RECOMMENDATION.

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19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 71 IS BEFORE YOU. THAT'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE
20 BUDGET.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ON 71? MS.

23 BURKE WILL MOVE. MR. KNABE SECONDS, WITHOUT OBJECTION,

24 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 71 TO ACCEPT THE BUDGET. ALL RIGHT. IT

25 WAS BURKE AND KNABE. DO WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT?



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SOME OF THE PARENTS HAVE COME
5 DOWN TO DISCUSS THE HIGH SCHOOL OF THE ARTS. DR. ROBLES IS
6 GOING TO BE MEETING THIS WEEK-- EXCUSE ME, MONDAY OR TUESDAY
7 OF NEXT WEEK WITH A GROUP AND THEY'VE HAD ONGOING DISCUSSIONS
8 GOING ON AT THIS TIME SO I DON'T BELIEVE ALL OF THE THEM THAT
9 SIGNED UP ARE GOING TO SPEAK. SOME OF THEM WILL BUT THERE IS A
10 COMMITMENT THAT THAT MEETING WILL BE MADE.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I APPRECIATE THAT. OH, ON THE LAST
13 ITEM? ON S-1. I APOLOGIZE. THEY JUST CALLED THIS TO MY
14 ATTENTION. SO COME ON UP, DR. CLAVREUL. MR. ANTONOVICH WILL
15 MOVE AND I'LL SECOND TO RECONSIDER ITEM S-1. AND WE'LL HEAR
16 FROM DR. CLAVREUL

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18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. APPARENTLY, YOU'RE NOT
19 DOING TOO GOOD LATELY ABOUT, YOU KNOW, TAKING CARE OF THE
20 PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SPEAK. SINCE, YOU KNOW, IT DOESN'T MATTER
21 WHAT WE SAY, ANYWAY, YOU KNOW, BUT I'LL SAY IT FOR THE RECORD.
22 I HAVE THE SAME QUESTIONS SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD VIS-A-VIS THE
23 NURSING IN THE BUDGET, ESPECIALLY THE REGISTRY, THE DIFFERENCE
24 IN THE REGISTRY. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT WE ARE STILL USING A
25 PHENOMENAL AMOUNT OF THE REGISTRY NURSES IN THE COUNTY



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1 HOSPITALS AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW VERY MUCH HOW MANY NURSES
2 WE HAVE ACTUALLY HIRED LAST YEAR AND WHAT DIFFERENCE WE ARE,
3 YOU KNOW, ACTUALLY HAVING WITH THE REGISTRY AND I THINK TO SAY
4 THAT WE HOPE TO USE LESS REGISTRY. IF YOU DON'T HAVE NEW
5 NURSES AND YOU CONVERT REGISTERED NURSES TO REGULAR NURSES,
6 YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY A FEE FROM THE AGENCY YOU ARE
7 USING THEM AND THAT'S A HUGE AMOUNT. SO I AM VERY CONCERNED OF
8 THOSE FLOATING FIGURES. THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE
11 US. BURKE MOVES, ANTONOVICH SECONDS. UNANIMOUS VOTE. I HOPE
12 THAT, IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT DARLENE ROBLES IS GOING TO
13 MEET WITH EVERYONE, I HAVE A BUNCH OF REQUESTS TO BE HEARD. SO
14 I DON'T KNOW WHO'S GOING TO BE SPEAKING FOR THE GROUP BUT, IN
15 THE INTERESTS OF TIME, I WOULD URGE YOU NOT TO SPEAK UNTIL YOU
16 HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH DR. ROBLES. BUT PAT LENZ? IS
17 PAT HERE? GONE. PAUL AIDING? CYNDIA ZUMFT-KLEIN? JAMES SMITH?
18 AND SUSIE TANNER? I GUESS WE'RE GOING THE HEAR FROM EVERYBODY,
19 MIKE. GO AHEAD.

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21 **PAUL AIDING:** I APPRECIATE YOUR LETTING ME SPEAK. MY NAME IS
22 PAUL AIDING. I'M THE PARENT OF A FOURTH YEAR SENIOR AND A
23 SECOND YEAR SOPHOMORE IN THEATER AT LACHSA. AS A PROFESSIONAL
24 ACTOR SINCE 1975, I'VE BEEN CHARACTERIZED IN MANY WAYS, EITHER
25 TOO TALL, TOO SHOT, TOO FAT, TOO THIN, ALTHOUGH VERY RARELY,



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1 TOO ETHNIC OR NOT ETHNIC ENOUGH. AS A PARENT AT THE THREE
2 SCHOOLS WHERE MY CHILDREN HAVE ATTENDED, I'VE BEEN CATEGORIZED
3 AS BEING PROACTIVE, SUPPORTIVE, DEPENDABLE, INVOLVED AND THE
4 GO TO GUY IF YOU NEED SOMEBODY TO CLEAN THE STREET, ANYTHING,
5 I'LL DO IT. FOR TWO YEARS I SERVED AS CO-THEATER REP AT LACHSA
6 WHERE I DID ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING THAT I WAS ASKED TO DO. I
7 NEVER WANTED TO DO CURRICULUM. HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH
8 PROGRAMMING. I'M NOT HOPING FOR A JOB TEACHING THERE. ONLY
9 NOW, BECAUSE I'M NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THE THEATER CHAIR AND THE
10 ADMINISTRATION, I'VE BEEN CATEGORIZED AS BEING A GROUP OF THE
11 RACISTS. I COULD MENTION MY EX-WIFE WAS BLACK. THE GODFATHER
12 OF MY CHILDREN, WHO'S BLACK. BEST MAN, BLACK. ALL THAT STUFF
13 BUT THEN YOU START SOUNDING LIKE YOU'RE BACK IN THE '60S, "MY
14 BEST FRIEND IS GAY", YOU KNOW, AND IT'S PATHETIC. THE
15 DEPARTMENT CHAIR HAS CHOSEN TO ATTEND SECRET MEETINGS WITH
16 INVITED PARENTS AND INVITED STAFF, INVITED TEACHERS WHO WERE
17 SUPPORTIVE, HOPEFULLY SUPPORTIVE OF HER WHERE THESE BASELESS
18 CHARGES OF RACISM ARE BEING BANDIED ABOUT. AND, TODAY, WITH
19 THE RACISM THAT IS THERE, IT DIMINISHES THOSE PEOPLE WHO SHOUT
20 THIS SORT OF THING. IN FACT, THERE IS A MEETING TONIGHT OF
21 SUPPORTIVE PARENTS WITH MR. FLORES AND MR. GOTHEL, THE
22 PRINCIPAL AT CAL STATE. THIS IS AN INVITED GROUP OF PEOPLE.
23 ONLY NOW DID WE FIND OUT, ABOUT 20 MINUTES AGO, THAT WE WERE
24 INVITED, AS WELL. WELL, IT'S TOO LATE TO LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT
25 THERE'S A MEETING. IN FACT, BACK IN DECEMBER, WE HAD A



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1 MEETING-- NOVEMBER, WE HAD A MEETING WITH SOPHIA WALL,
2 PRESIDENT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD, AND MR. FLORES, THEATER AND
3 DANCE PARENTS MET WITH THEM TO EXPRESS SOME DISAPPOINTMENT IN
4 THE PROGRAM. SOPHIA WALL THOUGHT WE WERE THERE TO SUPPORT AND
5 FIGHT FOR ONE PARTICULAR TEACHER, KAREN BROWN-LAYMEN, WHO
6 HAPPENS TO BE AFRICAN-AMERICAN, WHO WAS THE HEAD OF THE DANCE
7 DEPARTMENT. SHE TOLD US IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS THAT SHE
8 RESENTED TEACHERS WHO SENT PARENTS IN TO DO THEIR FIGHTING FOR
9 THEM. ISN'T THIS EXACTLY WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE HEAD OF THE
10 DEPARTMENT? SHE'S MEETING WITH CERTAIN PARENTS AND GETTING
11 THEM TO LOBBY FOR HER. IS IT LEGAL FOR L.A.C.O.E. AND LACHSA,
12 THE ADMINISTRATION, TO MEET PRIVATELY WITH ONE GROUP OF
13 PARENTS? THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG AT LACHSA. I AM A SUPPORTIVE
14 PARENT. I SUPPORT THE IDEA AND IDEALS THAT LACHSA WAS SUPPOSED
15 TO STAND FOR. I SUPPORT THE STUDENTS AND I SUPPORT THE
16 DEDICATED TEACHERS LIKE ANTHONY BURNS, VICKI SILVA, WHO
17 CHALLENGE AND INSPIRE OUR KIDS BUT I CAN NO LONGER SUPPORT THE
18 ADMINISTRATION AT

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. AIDING, YOUR TIME IS UP AND
21 I'M GOING TO GO TO THE NEXT PERSON. IS IT PAT LENZ? SHE'S NOT
22 HERE. CYNDIA? GO AHEAD.

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24 **CYNDIA ZUMFT-KLEIN:** I'M CYNDIA ZUMFT-KLEIN. I AM THE MOTHER OF
25 A JUNIOR IN THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT AND I AM THE CO-PRESIDENT OF



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1 FRIENDS OF ARTS HIGH, THE PARENT VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION THAT
2 RAISES ABOUT \$100,000 A YEAR FOR THE SCHOOL. THIS IS A SCHOOL
3 THAT WAS UNITED. AND, LAST JUNE, I THOUGHT WE WERE ON SUCH A
4 FABULOUS PATH TO BRING THIS SCHOOL TO JUST GREATER AND GREATER
5 HEIGHTS. WE HAD AN INCREDIBLY INVOLVED PARENT BODY. WE WERE ON
6 TRACK WITH GETTING BUDGETS TAKEN CARE OF. WE WERE JUST REALLY
7 MOVING IN A REALLY POSITIVE DIRECTION. UNFORTUNATELY, IN
8 SEPTEMBER, THINGS STARTED TO REALLY FALL APART IN THE DANCE
9 DEPARTMENT AND IT WAS ADDED TO THE CRIES OF THE THEATER
10 PARENTS WHO HAD BEEN COMING TO _____ OVER THE LAST
11 YEAR AND A HALF, EXPRESSING THEIR CONCERNS. THIS WAS A SCHOOL
12 THAT WAS SO UNITED IN ITS GOAL TO PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT ARTS
13 EDUCATION AND IT'S REALLY DEVOLVED INTO THREE CAMPS, THOSE
14 PARENTS CALLING THEMSELVES SUPPORTIVE PARENTS, THOSE CALLING
15 THEMSELVES CONCERNED PARENTS AND THOSE WHO ARE HOPING THE
16 SCHOOL WILL JUST GET BACK ON TRACK AND PROVIDE THE EDUCATION
17 THAT OUR STUDENTS EXPECT. THE FACT IS, WE'RE ALL CONCERNED.
18 WE'RE ALL SUPPORTIVE AND WE ALL WANT WHAT, WE, ALL THE PARENTS
19 WANT WHAT IS BEST FOR THE CHILDREN. UNFORTUNATELY, IN MY
20 OPINION, THE ADMINISTRATION HAS CHOSEN TO ENCOURAGE A VERY
21 DIVISIVE ATMOSPHERE. THEY HAVE CHOSEN SIDES AND THEY HAVE
22 CHOSEN THE SIDES WITH THE PARENTS WHO DO NOT AGREE WITH THEM.
23 I WAS BASICALLY TOLD, PLEASE, WE WANT PARENTS TO RAISE MONEY
24 AND SHUT UP. I'VE ALSO BEEN CALLED AN INTERFERING PARENT. I
25 CANNOT TELL YOU HOW MANY HOURS I HAVE SPENT WORKING WITH THE



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1 SCHOOL, WORKING WITH THE PROGRAMS IN THE SCHOOL TO SUPPORT THE
2 ENTIRE SCHOOL, NOT JUST MY DAUGHTER IN THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT. I
3 AM VERY, VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT THE ADMINISTRATION HAS NOT
4 CHOSEN TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE MUCH, MUCH EARLIER THAN NOW. I'M
5 GRATEFUL THAT DARLENE ROBLES HAS FINALLY AGREED TO HAVE A
6 MEETING WITH US BUT THESE ARE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN BEING
7 BROUGHT UP WITH HER FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS, OVER TWO YEARS. IF
8 YOU HAVE A DIVISIVE SITUATION, THE ONLY WAY TO HEAL IT IS FOR
9 THE ADMINISTRATION TO LOOK TO ALL THE PARENTS AND BRING THEM
10 ALL TOGETHER AND THEY HAVE EFFECTIVELY NOT DONE THAT. I AM
11 GOING TO STOP SPEAKING NOW BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY WHAT I WANTED
12 TO SAY.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOU MADE YOUR POINT
15 VERY CLEAR. JAMES SMITH. OKAY, BEFORE YOU GO ON, MR. SMITH,
16 LET ME-- IS SUSIE TANNER HERE? JAN BLUNT? SHE'S GOING TO SPEAK
17 FOR YOU? JAN, YOU JUST MADE A FRIEND. MURIEL LANG, DO YOU WANT
18 TO SPEAK? YOU WILL. OKAY. SO WHY DON'T YOU COME ON UP BECAUSE
19 WE HAVE ROOM FOR YOU. MURIEL LANG AND SUZIE TANNER. NOW MR.
20 SMITH YOU'RE ON.

21

22 **JAMES SMITH:** MY NAME IS JAMES DURAN SMITH AND I'M AN ALUMNI OF
23 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS, THEATER
24 DEPARTMENT, CLASS OF '90. I WAS ALSO THE STUDENT BODY
25 PRESIDENT. I WAS ONE OF THE FEW STUDENTS THAT TRAVELED TO



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1 SACRAMENTO TO LOBBY FOR FUNDING TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS SCHOOL
2 WOULD BE ABLE TO CONTINUE FOR YEARS. I SAT ON THE LACHSA
3 ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH STEWART GOTHEL, WHO WAS THE THEN
4 SUPERINTENDENT FROM '89 TO '90 AND GAINED A GREAT AMOUNT OF
5 HONOR FOR BEING SO DEEPLY INVOLVED WITH THIS AMAZING
6 INSTITUTION, WHICH WOULD LATER BE REFERRED TO AS A TRUE
7 CAMELOT. I HAVE SINCE GONE ON TO GRADUATE FROM TISCH SCHOOL OF
8 THE ARTS AT NYU. SEVERAL YEARS LATER, CAME BACK TO LACHSA TO
9 WORK AS THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT FOR THE LACHSA
10 FOUNDATION, THE SAME YEAR THAT THE FOUNDATION SECURED A MAJOR
11 MILLION DOLLAR GRANT FROM THE DORIS DUKE FOUNDATION AND I
12 WORKED AS A TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT FOR BEN FUNG SAKE ON THE
13 OUTREACH OFFICE AT LACHSA. I CURRENTLY AM THE FOUNDER AND
14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF A POW, A NONPROFIT ARTS ORGANIZATION
15 THAT USES THE ARTS AS A VEHICLE TO ENRICH THE LIVES OF YOUNG
16 PEOPLE. I HAVE PERSONALLY COACHED OVER 33 STUDENTS TO GO TO
17 THIS SCHOOL. OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, THIS SCHOOL, THE
18 SCHOOL'S REPUTATION HAS BEEN TARNISHED BY WHAT IS GOING ON
19 THERE AND I THINK THAT IT IS TRULY A DISGRACE. THE FUNDAMENTAL
20 PHILOSOPHY OF THE ARTS AT LACHSA IS BEING COMPROMISED BY THE
21 COMMERCIALIZATION OF THE ARTS AT LACHSA AND FURTHERMORE
22 COMPROMISES THE FUNDING AND THE INTEGRITY OF LACHSA AS AN ARTS
23 INSTITUTION. THE FUNDING THAT LACHSA RECEIVES FROM PRIVATE
24 INSTITUTIONS ARE BASED ON THE SOUND CURRICULUM AND PROGRAMS
25 THAT IT OFFERS ON PAPER. HOWEVER, THE FUNDERS WILL PULL THEIR



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1 FUNDING IF THE CURRICULUM OR PROGRAMS CHANGE OR ARE NOT IN
2 PRACTICE. I HAPPEN TO BE A FAMILY FRIEND OF A WOMAN BY THE
3 NAME OF FRANCIS BRODY. FRANCES BRODY, MY GRANDFATHER WAS HER
4 BUTLER FOR 25 YEARS AND MOVED WITH HER FAMILY FROM OHIO TO
5 CALIFORNIA. I SPOKE WITH MRS. BRODY. SHE WAS VERY DEAR FRIEND
6 TO CAROLYN AHMANSON. CAROLYN AHMANSON'S DREAM AND LEGACY WAS
7 THAT THIS SCHOOL WOULD BE AN ART INSTITUTION THAT WOULD GIVE
8 CHILDREN EQUAL ACCESS ACROSS THE COUNTY, USING THE ARTS AS A
9 VEHICLE TO HELP ENRICH THEIR LIVES. CURRENTLY, THERE IS SO
10 MUCH GOING ON, THERE IS SO MUCH DISRUPTION, SO MUCH SEPARATION
11 AT LACHSA AND I TRULY ENCOURAGE EACH OF YOU TO REALLY FIND OUT
12 WHAT'S GOING ON BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT HAS
13 AGREED TO MEET WITH THE PARENTS BUT MY PERSONAL EXPERIENCE IS
14 THAT THIS CONTINUES TO GO ON DECADE AFTER DECADE. AND I HAVE
15 FOUGHT AGAINST THE BUREAUCRACY OF IT FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE
16 CHILDREN HAVING AN EQUAL ACCESS. THE DIVERSITY ISSUE AT LACHSA
17 IS SOMETHING THAT IS NOT MET ON THE AUDITION DATE OR AFTER
18 AUDITION. IT IS AN OUTREACH SITUATION. AND THE OUTREACH HAS
19 NOT BEEN DONE. I SAT IN THAT OFFICE WITH BEN FUNG SAKA'S
20 OFFICE AS THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH COORDINATOR AND FOUND THAT
21 MANY SCHOOLS AROUND THE COUNTY NEVER HEARD ABOUT THIS SCHOOL
22 BECAUSE THE OUTREACH WASN'T BEING DONE. THERE ARE SOME
23 FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. THERE ARE ISSUES
24 OF CURRICULUM THAT NEEDS TO BE SOUND. AND MY MESSAGE FROM
25 FRANCES BRODY TO ALL OF YOU IS THAT YOU TRULY TAKE THIS TO



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1 HEART BECAUSE THIS IS A LEGACY AND IT IS A NURTURING CHILD OF
2 CAROLYN AHMANSON AND SHE DOES NOT WANT TO SEE IT DRAGGED
3 THROUGH THE MUD. SO I ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO THAT. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WE'RE NOT DOING A GOOD JOB
6 OF NOT DRAGGING IT THROUGH THE MUD, ARE WE? THIS IS THE THIRD
7 WEEK WE'VE BEEN DRAGGING IT THROUGH THE MUD.

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9 **JAMES SMITH:** SO PLEASE DO SOMETHING.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, IT'S A LOT EASIER SAID THAN
12 DONE, ISN'T IT? SUSIE TANNER?

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14 **SUSIE TANNER:** MY NAME IS SUSIE TANNER. MY SON IS A SECOND YEAR
15 THEATER STUDENT AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE
16 ARTS. I'M A THEATER PROFESSIONAL, AN ARTS EDUCATOR AND A
17 TEACHING ARTIST, WITH 30 PLUS YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN BOTH
18 PROFESSIONAL AND SCHOOL-BASED THEATRE. I FEEL WELL QUALIFIED
19 TO ASSESS THE QUALITY OF INSTRUCTION AND PRODUCTION ACTIVITY
20 THAT MY SON AND HIS PEERS HAVE BEEN PRIVILEGED TO RECEIVE AND
21 DEMONSTRATE AT LACHSA. I HAVE BEEN APPALLED BY THE CONTINUOUS
22 COMPLAINTS MADE BY A GROUP OF PARENTS, STUDENTS AND ALUMNI.
23 THE VICIOUS ATTACKS AND UNSUBSTANTIATED INNUENDOS HAVE CREATED
24 A RIFT IN THE PARENT AND MORE TRAGICALLY STUDENT POPULATION.
25 THE CONTINUOUS DEMONSTRATIONS, LEAFLETING AND TRASHING OF



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1 LACHSA THEATER AND DANCE DEPARTMENTS IN PUBLIC HAVE MADE IT
2 SEEM THAT THIS GROUPING IS SPEAKING FOR THE WHOLE LACHSA
3 COMMUNITY. IT IS NOT. THERE IS ANOTHER VOICE OUT THERE, A
4 PASSIONATE AND SUPPORTIVE VOICE AND I IMPLORE YOU TO LISTEN TO
5 US BEFORE MAKING ANY DECISIONS ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN THIS
6 UNIQUELY CREATIVE SCHOOL. AS THE INITIATOR OF A SERIES OF
7 AUDITION PREP WORKSHOPS, I HAVE WORKED ON A VOLUNTEER BASIS
8 AND I HAVE SOUGHT TO GIVE STUDENTS WITH POTENTIAL, IN QUOTES,
9 THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPARE COMPETITIVE AUDITIONS FOR THE
10 LACHSA THEATER DEPARTMENT. THESE ARE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM
11 PRIMARILY LOW INCOME, UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. THEY ARE
12 PRIMARILY STUDENTS OF COLOR, LATINO AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN. THEY
13 ARE TALENTED, PASSIONATE ABOUT THEATER AND JUST AS QUALIFIED
14 TO RECEIVE WHAT LACHSA HAS TO OFFER AS THOSE FROM MORE
15 PRIVILEGED COMMUNITIES. IT IS UPSETTING TO HEAR ALL OF THIS
16 TALK ABOUT LACHSA COMPROMISING QUALITY. ON JANUARY 28TH, 1984,
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HELD A NEWS CONFERENCE WITH THE FOUNDERS
18 OF LACHSA, A PRESS RELEASE STATED THAT LACHSA STUDENTS, THE
19 SELECTION WOULD BE BASED ON DEMONSTRATED AND POTENTIAL TALENTS
20 IN THE ARTS. I BELIEVE IT IS IMPERATIVE TO ADMIT STUDENTS WHO
21 ARE EXCELLENT AND WHO HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO BECOME EXCELLENT.
22 THAT KIND OF DIVERSITY ENRICHES A SCHOOL COMMUNITY. WE ARE A
23 PUBLIC SCHOOL AND THE STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL NEED TO REPRESENT
24 THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE SCHOOL SITS. IT CAN'T BE A SCHOOL JUST
25 FOR PRIVILEGED STUDENTS WHO HAVE ACCESS TO PRIVATE COACHING.



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1 IT NEEDS TO BE A SCHOOL THAT IS INCLUSIVE AND GIVES EVERYBODY
2 AN OPPORTUNITY TO ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS MURIEL LANG-- YOU'RE NEXT. NITA
5 THOMPSON HERE? AND MARCIA HOBBS, IS SHE HERE? OH, THERE SHE
6 IS. OKAY. MARCIA, COME ON UP.

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8 **MURIEL LANG:** MY NAME IS MURIEL LANG AND I LIVE IN PASADENA,
9 CALIFORNIA. I CURRENTLY HAVE A SENIOR AT LACHSA BUT I'VE
10 ACTUALLY BEEN INVOLVED IN LACHSA FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS. I
11 HAVE A SON WHO GRADUATED TWO YEARS AGO WHO IS CURRENTLY GOING
12 INTO-- IN THE PROCESS OF GOING INTO HIS THIRD YEAR AT THE ARTS
13 CENTER OF DESIGN IN PASADENA STUDYING TV, FILM, DIRECTING AND
14 PRODUCING. I'VE ALSO RECRUITED SEVERAL KIDS FROM THE PASADENA
15 AREA AND ALTADENA THROUGH MRS. JUANITA DEVON'S AXLE PROGRAM
16 AND MOST OF THOSE KIDS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED AND WOULD NOT HAVE
17 HAD THE OPPORTUNITY HAD I NOT RECRUITED THOSE KIDS. LACHSA IS
18 BASICALLY-- WE CALL IT THE BEST KEPT SECRET IN TOWN BECAUSE
19 IT'S NOT OUT THERE FOR THE MINORITY KIDS, FOR THE
20 UNDERPRIVILEGED KIDS. THEY DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT. I HAPPENED TO
21 FIND OUT ABOUT IT MYSELF ON ACCIDENT AND BOTH MY CHILDREN WERE
22 ABLE TO GET IN. MY SON, WHO IS AT ARTS CENTER, THROUGH LACHSA,
23 HAD ALSO STUDIED TV FILM AT LACHSA AND ACTUALLY, UPON LEAVING
24 LACHSA AT 17 YEARS OLD, WAS ACCEPTED INTO AN INTERNSHIP AT
25 WARNER BROTHERS WORKING ON THE SET OF SMALLVILLE IN THE



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1 PRODUCTION OFFICE. THAT WOULD NOT HAVE OCCURRED IF HE HAD NOT
2 ATTENDED LACHSA. ALSO, I THINK THIS WHOLE-- I'VE BEEN AROUND
3 LACHSA SIX YEARS. MY DAUGHTER, AS I SAID, WILL GRADUATE IN,
4 OH, ANOTHER TWO MONTHS. I MEAN, I ACTUALLY FEEL LIKE I SHOULD
5 PROBABLY WALK ACROSS THE STAGE AND GET A DIPLOMA ALONG WITH
6 HER, THAT'S HOW LONG I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE SCHOOL. I THINK
7 THIS IS BASICALLY, FROM WHAT I'VE SEEN OVER THE LAST SIX
8 YEARS, IT'S BEEN A CONTROL ISSUE. PARENTS COME IN, THEY WANT
9 TO CONTROL, THEY WANT TO TELL THE PRINCIPAL AND THE
10 SUPERINTENDENT HOW TO RUN THE SCHOOL, WHO TO FIRE, WHO TO
11 HIRE. AND, YOU KNOW, THAT'S JUST UNACCEPTABLE. FOR EXAMPLE,
12 THERE IS-- AND I CAN TRULY SAY THERE IS A PERCEPTION OF RACISM
13 AT LACHSA AND I THINK I'VE BEEN ON THE END OF IT AT ONE POINT
14 AND I'LL JUST GIVE YOU A REAL QUICK EXAMPLE. WE HAVE A BOARD,
15 A FORCE CALLED FRIENDS OF ARTS HIGH. THAT BOARD HAS BEEN
16 BASICALLY 100 PERCENT WHITE, YOU KNOW, GIVE OR TAKE A COUPLE
17 OF TIMES WHEN IT WASN'T. I DECIDED TO RUN FOR THE BOARD. I WAS
18 AT THE-- I'M SORRY, FOR THE THEATER COUNCIL, WHICH IS A PART
19 OF THE BOARD. AT THE MEETING, WHEN THE VOTES WERE COUNTED,
20 BEFORE THE VOTES WERE FINISHED, SOMEONE PULLED UP A PAPER BAG,
21 A BROWN PAPER BAG AND SAID, "OH, WE HAVE A LOT OF ABSENTEE
22 BALLOTS HERE." I WAS NOT INFORMED THAT I COULD BRING ABSENTEE
23 BALLOTS. I LOOKED AROUND. I KIND OF THOUGHT I WAS IN FLORIDA.
24 SO, NEEDLESS TO SAY, I DID NOT WIN AND THE BOARD CONTINUED TO
25 BE 100 PERCENT WHITE. I HAVE NOTHING BUT PRAISE FOR PAUL



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1 GOTHEL, FOR DAVID FLORES AND FOR LOIS HUNTER. WITHOUT THEM, MY
2 CHILDREN WOULD NOT HAVE SUCCEEDED AS THEY HAVE BY ATTENDING
3 LACHSA. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. EDITH THOMPSON?

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7 **EDITH THOMPSON:** THANK YOU. MY SON IS ACTUALLY A GRADUATE. HE
8 GRADUATED THIS PAST SUMMER. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED ALL FOUR YEARS
9 BUT I WANTED TO GIVE YOU A UPDATE ON THE STUDENT SUCCESS OF
10 THE 2006 GRADUATES UNDER THE DIRECTION OF MRS. HUNTER. A
11 FEMALE ALUMNI WAS SO ADVANCED FOR HER CONSERVATORY STYLE
12 INSTITUTE LOCATED IN HOLLYWOOD, SHE ELECTED TO TRANSFER AND GO
13 ON TO NEW YORK AND WORK IN AND WITH A LOCAL THEATER. A MALE
14 ALUMNI, WHO INTERNED AT WARNER BROTHERS THIS PAST SUMMER, WAS
15 AND IS IN-- HE WAS IN THE LAST EPISODE OF "THE UNIT" AS WELL
16 AS A FEMALE ALUMNI HAD A LEADING ROLE AND HER MOTHER IS A FOA
17 PARENT. A MALE ALUMNI WHO INTERNED AT WARNER BROTHERS THIS
18 PAST SUMMER IS WORKING WITH A NEW COMPANY THAT IS A SPINOFF OF
19 WARNER BROTHERS AND IS WORKING WITH WARNER BROTHERS. AS
20 ANOTHER MALE STUDENT WHO INTERNED WITH WARNER BROTHERS, WHO
21 ALSO IS A PA FOR A PRODUCTION COMPANY FROM A WELL-KNOWN ACTOR
22 ON A REGULAR TV SHOW NOW, AS WELL AS HE HAS A CABLE AND ONLINE
23 SHOW, IS TODAY, AT THIS MOMENT, TRANSFERRED FROM WORKING AS A
24 PRODUCTION ASSISTANT TO A FIELD EDITOR AND THAT CHILD IS MY
25 SON. MRS. HUNTER JUST RECEIVED A BRAVO AWARD FROM YOU ALL SO



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1 YOU KNOW HER AND HER CAPABILITIES. I WILL SAY THAT L.A.C.O.E.
2 HAS DONE WHAT THEY SAID THEY WERE GOING TO DO. THEY ARE
3 MEETING WITH US. THEY DO HAVE A FACILITATOR OR TWO, ACTUALLY,
4 WHO ARE WORKING WITH US AND THEY HAVE ATTEMPTED TO ANSWER ALL
5 OF FOA'S ALLEGATIONS AND CONCERNS. BUT I WILL TELL YOU WE DO
6 HAVE PROBLEMS. WE HAVE PERSONAL PROBLEMS. WE HAVE PROBLEMS OF
7 PARENT TO A PARENT. IT'S NOT RACIALLY BUT IT IS RACIALLY,
8 DEPENDING ON WHO YOU ARE AND WHERE YOU COME FROM AND WHAT YOUR
9 BACKGROUND IS. WE HAVE A PROBLEM, QUOTE/UNQUOTE, WITH PEOPLE
10 WHO WANT TO BE IN POWER AND PEOPLE THAT WILL NOT ALLOW ALL
11 PARENTS TO PARTICIPATE. AND THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS. FOA SAID
12 THEY REPRESENTED ALL THE PARENTS. THEY DO NOT. AND I KNOW,
13 WHEN I WAS A THEATER REP, I COULDN'T GET THE TIME OF DAY FROM
14 THE FOA PEOPLE. THEY IGNORED ME. THEY REFUSED TO ACCEPT
15 ANYTHING THAT I SUGGESTED. AND KNOWING, WITH THEIR CONSENT,
16 THAT I WORK ON A PROJECT WITH OTHER PARENTS, THEY KICKED ME TO
17 THE CURB AND SAID THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE MONEY AND, LATER ON,
18 THEY HAD THE MONEY. I WAS NOT INVOLVED ALL FOUR YEARS BECAUSE,
19 QUOTE/UNQUOTE, I AM JUST A PARENT. I WAS INVOLVED BECAUSE OF
20 MY SON. AND I WANTED TO ENJOY MY SON IN HIS HIGH SCHOOL
21 EXPERIENCE. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MARCIA HOBBS?

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1 **MARCIA HOBBS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AND THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME A
2 MINUTE TO SPEAK. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LACHSA FOUNDATION
3 AND I'M GLAD TO HEAR TALK ABOUT WARNER BROTHERS, ABOUT THE
4 OUTREACH PROGRAM AND ABOUT OTHER THINGS THAT PARENTS HAVE
5 SPOKEN ABOUT, ALL OF WHICH HAVE BEEN CREATED AND FUNDED BY THE
6 FOUNDATION. I BECAME INVOLVED WITH THE FOUNDATION WHEN I FIRST
7 APPROACHED CAROLYN AHMANSON TO HELP ME BRING PANDAS TO THE LOS
8 ANGELES ZOO WELL OVER 20 YEARS AGO AND WE DID A QUID PRO QUO.
9 I WOULD HELP HER WITH LACHSA AND EVENTUALLY FOLLOW IN HER
10 FOOTSTEPS AND SHE WOULD HELP ME WITH THE PANDAS. AND I'M SURE
11 YOU ALL REMEMBER THAT TIME OF THE OLYMPICS AND THE PANDAS
12 COMING. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I'VE TRIED TO MEET WITH ALL
13 SIDES. I'VE SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF THIS MEETING IN DISCUSSIONS.
14 I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERINTENDENT FOR AGREEING TO SPEED UP
15 HER TIMETABLE IN LISTENING AND PRESENTING THE RESOLVED ISSUES.
16 SHE WILL BE AT THE SCHOOL EARLY NEXT WEEK. I WANT TO THANK YOU
17 FOR ALL YOUR TIME. WE DO HAVE SOME STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS. WE'VE
18 DISCUSSED THEM MORE THAN ADEQUATELY IN THE FOUR OR FIVE HOURS
19 THAT I'VE BEEN HERE AND I KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO MAKE
20 PROGRESS AND I HOPE THAT YOU WILL GIVE US THE RESOURCES TO
21 MOVE FORWARD AND SOLVE SOME OF WHAT I CALL THESE STRUCTURAL
22 DEFICITS. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE PARENTS BECAUSE ALL OF
23 THESE PARENTS HAVE AN EQUAL INTEREST IN THE SCHOOL, TO YOU AND
24 TO MYSELF AND WE'RE ONLY HERE BECAUSE WE'RE TRYING TO START
25 THEM ON THE RIGHT PATH. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MARCIA. THANK YOU.
3 NEXT, WE HAVE SOME OTHER FOLKS WHO WANT TO BE HEARD. IS WHAT
4 HARLEY RUBINSTEIN HERE? DO YOU WANT TO BE-- GET HIM A
5 MICROPHONE? YOU DON'T WANT TO BE HEARD? WE'RE ON PUBLIC
6 COMMENT. ALL RIGHT. AND IS MR. THIGPEN HERE? MRS. THIGPEN, I
7 APOLOGIZE.

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9 **HARLEY RUBINSTEIN:** OKAY. MY NAME IS HARLEY RUBINSTEIN. I THINK
10 OF MYSELF AS LIKE A FREE SPIRIT. AT TIMES I CAN DO WHATEVER I
11 WANT TO DO WHENEVER IT'S GOOD. ALSO, TO MANY PEOPLE'S CHAGRIN,
12 I'M ALSO LIKE A LOOSE CANON. I JUST SAY WHAT'S ON MY MIND. THE
13 LAST TIME I SPOKE HERE I KNOW WAS, LIKE, OCTOBER 3RD, WHICH
14 WAS ONE MONTH AFTER MY DAD'S-- DAD PASSED AWAY, UNFORTUNATELY.
15 AND MY MOTHER, I KNOW PASSED AWAY IN '76. SO THAT MAKES ME,
16 LIKE, AN ORPHAN. BUT, YOU KNOW, MY DAD WAS A REAL ARTIST AND I
17 KNOW THAT, AT THE FOOT OF MY BED, I'VE GOT THIS PICTURE AND HE
18 ENTITLED IT THREE GENERATIONS. IT'S A HAND PRINT OF MY
19 GRANDFATHER'S HAND FROM WHEN HE CAME TO AMERICA FROM RUSSIA,
20 PROBABLY FLED FOR HIS LIFE, I IMAGINE, AND THEN MY FATHER, AND
21 THEN MY LITTLE HAND UNDER FATHER'S. SO IT SHOWS ME, IT'S,
22 LIKE, THREE GENERATIONS. IT'S A REVOLVING DOOR. SINCE I AM ON
23 THE L.A. COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND I HAVE BEEN FOR
24 SIX YEARS, APPOINTED BY DON KNABE, THANK YOU, AND, YOU KNOW, I
25 SAY THIS, I KNOW IT'S LIKE POLITICAL SUICIDE BUT I REALLY NEED



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1 TO SAY WHAT'S ON MY MIND SINCE I'VE BEEN THERE SIX YEARS. IT'S
2 HARD FOR ME TO PICTURE THE FACT THAT I'M ON THIS COMMISSION,
3 APPOINTED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, WHO-- AND HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO
4 SUPPORTS THAT RANCH TO STAY OPEN. I KNOW IT'S NOT ON THE
5 CUTTING BOARD RIGHT NOW BUT IT'S, LIKE, I KNOW IT'S ON SOME OF
6 THE OTHER SUPERVISORS' MINDS, LIKE, ARE WE JUST A ORNAMENT? OR
7 WHAT'S GOING ON? AS I SEE IT AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN START
8 AN IDEA BUT CALIFORNIA, SPECIFICALLY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COULD
9 BE LIKE A MECCA STATE AND MAYBE EVEN TO-- FOR THE OTHER PARTS
10 OF THE WORLD TO EMULATE AS FAR AS A COMMUNITY THAT'S SO
11 WELCOMING TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. THE WEATHER IS
12 FANTASTIC. NOW THERE IS TRANSPORTATION ALL AROUND. AND I
13 REALLY WANT, ON THIS ISSUE OF TRANSPORTATION, I ALSO WANT YOU
14 TO REALIZE THAT AND I BELIEVE IT WAS PROBABLY LIKE '02, '03
15 THAT WE CAME TO YOU AND YOU REALLY, REALLY STEPPED UP TO THE
16 PLATE AND WITH THE MTA AND, OF COURSE, WITH ACTIVE SERVICES
17 NOW TO MY MIND IS A LOT BETTER THAN IT WAS AT THAT POINT WHEN
18 WE CAME TO YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. SO I THANK YOU A LOT ON THAT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANKS. MRS. THIGPEN?

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22 **GENEVIEVE THIGPEN:** HELLO. HI, MY NAME IS GENEVIEVE THIGPEN. I
23 CAME SEVERAL TIMES TRYING TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE. THE THEORY
24 WOULD BE, I AM NOT WHAT YOU CALL A UNTHOUGHT PROVOKING PERSON
25 WHO CANNOT ACTUALLY GET WHAT IS CALLED COMPREHENSION.



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1 COMPREHENSION WOULD BE ABILITY IN FRONT OF A LAWYER WITH A
2 NOTIFICATION FROM THE COURTS. WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT IS A
3 COMPANY THAT THEY ACTUALLY THOUGHT THEY CAN GET WITH
4 EMBEZZLEMENT. IF I NEVER STEPPED BEFORE THE COURT AND IT WAS
5 NEVER ON DOCKET THAT I WAS APPEARED THERE, THERE IS NO WAY IN
6 THE WORLD THAT PAM OR EVEN STACEY OR EVEN A. C. DRUMMER, WHO
7 WORKED WITHIN THE COURT SYSTEM AS WELL AS CITY HALL, SUPPOSED
8 TO BE RUNNING SOMETHING THEY NEVER PAID FOR. NOT ALL THEORIES
9 IN LIFE, WHAT THEORY DID THEY HAVE THINKING THAT I WOULD
10 ACTUALLY TAKE LESS THAN WHAT I AM? I CAN NEVER EVEN GO WITH
11 THE COMPREHENSION THAT THEY WOULD THINK THEY WOULD BE BETTER
12 ON ME ON MONEY I MADE. LIKE IN ALL THEORIES, HOW COULD I
13 ACTUALLY SIGN A EIGHT-YEAR CONTRACT, FORGE SOMEBODY ELSE'S
14 NAME AND THINK THAT PERSON WILL ACTUALLY DO THAT. OR, BETTER
15 YET, TAKE SOMEONE ELSE'S PROPERTY, NEVER PAID FOR IT, USE A
16 PERSON I'M NOT GOING TO MENTION, TO FORCE THAT PERSON'S NAME
17 AND THEN THINK THAT I WOULD ACTUALLY EVEN DO EIGHT YEARS FOR
18 NOTHING IS TO SAY I AM NOTHING AND SAY THAT WHAT THEY DID WAS
19 PUSHED UNDER THE RUG. NOW YOU ALL GOT A MUNICIPAL LITTLE BOOK
20 THEY GIVE EVERYBODY THAT WORK THROUGH HERE. THERE WAS NO WAY
21 IN THE WORLD A. C. DRUMMER COULD EVER GET A HOLD OF SOMETHING
22 WITHOUT ME ACTUALLY SAYING I WAS GOING TO SELL IT. IN ALL
23 THEORIES IN LIFE, I HAVE A RIGHT TO HATE. I COULDN'T GO FOR
24 DURESS IN THE WAY IN WHICH THEY THOUGHT THEY COULD ACTUALLY
25 BULLY ME INTO DURESS I CAN'T EVEN MENTION BECAUSE IT WOULD



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1 MAKE MOST WOMEN FLUSH. MOST THEORY I WILL HATE CALIFORNIA THE
2 REST OF MY LIFE. I WILL NOT TEACH YOUR KIDS. I WILL NOT
3 ACTUALLY PRESUME THAT Y'ALL HAVE A RIGHT TO DO ME THE WAY YOU
4 DID. I DON'T THINK I EVER GOING TO EVER FORGIVE YOU. I DON'T
5 THINK NO ONE SHOULD SUPPOSED TO GET DONE LIKE I DID. PAMELA K.
6 JONES WAS WHAT? A PERSON THAT WORKED WITHIN THE CITY. IF SHE
7 WAS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ME AND THIS WAS MINE, WHY WOULD I EVER
8 TEACH YOUR KIDS? BUT YOU HAVE A GOOD DAY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. RAUL FLORES?

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12 **RAUL FLORES:** HELLO, MR. YAROSLAVSKY. YOU'RE MY REPRESENTATIVE
13 IN THE PACOIMA AREA. MY CONCERN IS REGARDING ILLEGAL VENDING.
14 WE'RE OVERWHELMED WITH IT. IT SEEMS EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK, YOU
15 HAVE SOMEONE SELLING HOT DOGS, SELLING COCAS DE GUINOS, WHICH
16 IS A MEXICAN DRINK OUT OF THEIR CARS. I MEAN, THEY HAVE NO
17 SELLER'S PERMIT, NO HEALTH PERMIT. AND THAT'S MY MAIN CONCERN
18 I WANT TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION, SIR, THAT IT LOOKS BAD, YOU
19 KNOW? AND MY BROTHER RECENTLY GOT SICK, OKAY, I DON'T THINK I
20 WANT TO GO INTO DETAILS OF THAT BUT BY BUYING ONE OF THESE HOT
21 DOGS FROM ONE OF THESE LADIES AND SHE DOES BUSINESS IN FRONT
22 OF THE TARGET STORE THERE ON LAUREL CANYON AND OSBORNE. AND
23 IT'S JUST LIKE YOU HAVE A FELLOW, I CAN'T BELIEVE IT, HE'S GOT
24 HIS OWN BOLLO LOCO GOING OVER ON SAN FERNANDO ROAD AND
25 BRANTFORD. HE'S CHAR BROILING CHICKENS OUT THERE. I MEAN, IS



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1 THIS WHAT WE WANT IN OUR SOCIETY WHERE PEOPLE CAN JUST SET UP
2 SHOP WHEREVER THEY FEEL LIKE IT AND SELL THIS STUFF WITHOUT
3 ANY TYPE OF MONITORING SYSTEM? I MEAN, IT'S REALLY OUT OF
4 HAND. IT LOOKS PRETTY BAD, YOU KNOW? PEOPLE COME IN FROM OUT
5 OF STATE, THEY SEE THIS STUFF AND, YOU KNOW, I GOT TO LIVE IN
6 IT. AND THAT'S MY MAIN CONCERN, SIR. I'VE CONTACTED HEALTH
7 SERVICES. AND THEY SAY, "OH, WE HAD A TASKFORCE GO OUT," LIKE
8 THREE TASK FORCES. THERE'S NOTHING BEING DONE. I MEAN, THEY'RE
9 JUST-- THEY'RE OUT IN THERE IN THE SAME AREAS, THE SAME
10 LOCATIONS. THEY'VE GOT A LAUNDRY LIST OF AREAS WHERE THEY ARE.
11 AND IT SEEMS LIKE THEY JUST CAN'T STAMP THIS PROBLEM OUT. CAN
12 I GET YOUR COMMENTS, SIR, ON THAT?

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE GENERALLY DON'T COMMENT ON IT
15 BUT WE'LL LOOK INTO IT. WE'LL TALK TO THE CITY PEOPLE, AS
16 WELL, WHO ALSO HAVE A ROLE IN THIS.

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18 **RAUL FLORES:** I APPRECIATE THAT, SIR.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL GO
21 INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
24 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
25 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-1,



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1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE
2 TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, ITEM NUMBER CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH
3 LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE,
4 AND ITEM NUMBER CS-3, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION,
5 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED REGULAR AGENDA. ALSO, THE BOARD
6 WILL RECONVENE AT SPECIAL MEETING IN CLOSED SESSION UNDER
7 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54957 B4
8 REGARDING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR RECRUITMENT OF C.A.O. AS
9 INDICATED ON THE POSTED SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 **SPECIAL MEETING REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **ON APRIL 17, 2007**

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6 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

7 Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

8 Significant exposure to litigation (one case)

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10 No reportable action was taken

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12 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

13 (Subdivision c) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Initiation

14 of litigation (one case)

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16 No reportable action was taken

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18 CS-3. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, Government Code

19 Section 54957) Department Head Performance Evaluations

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21 No reportable action was taken

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5 CS-1. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT Government Code Section 54957(b)(4)

6 Title: Independent Contractor Recruitment of Chief

7 Administrative Office

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9 Action Taken: The Board instructed the Director of Personnel
10 to negotiate a contract with Ralph Andersen and Associates and
11 to submit the contract to the Board for consideration at the
12 May 1, 2007 meeting.

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14 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being
15 present.

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